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Processed Strong-Motion Records
From Monasavu Dam, Fiji; Earthquakes
of February 13, 14, and 23, 1983

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ABSTRACT

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has maintained limited contact with operators of other strong-motion accelerograph networks throughout the world. As a result, the USGS occasionally receives a small number of records for routine processing. This report describes the processing of three records from Monasavu Dam, Fiji, on February 13, 14, and 23, 1983.

Processed Strong-Motion Records from Monasavu Dam, Fiji:
February 13, 1983, 0953 UTC; February 14, 1983, 1218 UTC;
and February 23, 1983, 1517 UTC

Earthquake and Station Data

In February 1983, three small earthquakes were recorded by a strong-motion accelerograph at Monasavu Dam on the island of Fiji (see figs. 1 and 2). The source parameter information for these events is listed in Table 1. The site is located at 17.76° S. lat. and 178.06° E long.*.

DIGITIZING AND PROCESSING

The computer plots provide a visual description of the recorded accelerations and their processed results; they are reproduced in the appendix. These plots may be used to measure specific earthquake or record parameters directly and to select records for further study using available digital data.

The steps currently used for processing are:

1. A commercial digitizing firm (IOM-TOWILL in Santa Clara, California) digitizes the records on a trace-following, computer-controlled laser scanner. The data is digitized at unequal time intervals, at an average of 600 samples per second.
2. If a strong-motion record has a duration longer than about 10 s, then it is divided into approximately 10 s segments, each segment being digitized separately. The segments are reassembled using specially inserted vertical lines, the lines mark the end and/or beginning of each segment. Each vertical line is digitized twice, once in each adjacent segment, and then used in reassembling the record.

* Everingham, I. B., 1983 written communication.

3. The UNCORRECTED DATA are prepared by subtracting the digitized reference traces from the data traces, and using the digitized time marks to determine the time scale. The instrument sensitivities are used to scale the ordinates to accelerations.
4. The data are passed through a correction algorithm that applies a high-frequency filter (25 Hz in this case), instrument corrections, base line correction (in the form of a low frequency filter), and decimation to 200 samples per second. Plots of the CORRECTED ACCELERATION, VELOCITY, and DISPLACEMENTS for the three components of each recording are included.
5. The maximum relative velocity response spectra (RV) are calculated for damping values of 0, 2, 5, 10 and 20 percent of critical. These RESPONSE SPECTRA are calculated for a period range starting at 0.04 s and ending with the long period corresponding to the low frequency filter limit used in the base-line correction algorithm. The dashed curve on this plot is the unsmoothed Fourier amplitude spectrum, FAS, calculated at the same periods as the relative velocity response spectra.
The second RESPONSE SPECTRUM plot is that of the pseudo-velocity response spectra, PSRV, calculated for the same five damping values used in calculating the RV spectra. This tripartite plot also has the values for the maximum relative displacement response spectrum (RD) as well as the pseudo-acceleration spectrum (PSAA).
6. FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRA, calculated by FFT, are presented on linear and log-log axes to accent the particular characteristics at each end of the spectrum.

Initial selection of filters for Step 4 are based on the convention of retaining a period content somewhat longer than the strong-motion duration of the records. The final Butterworth filter parameters are chosen to eliminate any apparent serious noise content in the calculated displacements.

Table 2 presents the peak values obtained through processing.

The digital data from which these plots are produced are available on tape from the National Geophysical Data Center (NGDC), NOAA, Mail Stop E/GC11, 325 Broadway, Boulder, Colorado 80303.

For a more complete description see: Converse, A., 1984; AGRAM: A Series of Computer Programs for Processing Digitized Strong-Motion Accelerograms, Version 2.0; USGS Open-File Report 81-525.

Computer Plots

The Appendix contains computer plots for the following processing stages:

Uncorrected accelerogram.

Corrected acceleration velocity and displacement.

Relative velocity response spectra linear plot.

Response spectra, tripartite log-log plot.

Fourier amplitude spectrum calculated by FFT, linear plot.

Fourier amplitude spectrum calculated by FFT, log-log plot.

Table 1: Source Parameters for Fiji Island Events*

1. Date	February 13, 1983
Time	0953 00.3 UTC
Epicenter	17.744° S. 178.067° E.
Magnitude	M_L 3.2
2. Date	February 14, 1983
Time	1218 41.6 UTC
Epicenter	17.755° S. 178.056° E.
Magnitude	M_L 2.7
3. Date	February 23, 1983
Time	1517 30.3 UTC
Epicenter	17.764° S. 178.018° E.
Magnitude	M_L 2.9

* Everingham, I. B., 1983, written communication.

Table 2. Processed Records (Peak Values)

<u>Earthquake</u>	<u>Station</u>	<u>Epicenter Distances</u>	<u>Components</u>	<u>Peak Acceleration</u> <u>Digitized</u> <u>(cm/s²)</u>	<u>Corrected Peak Motion</u> <u>Accel.</u> <u>(cm/s²)</u>	<u>Vel.</u> <u>(cm/s)</u>	<u>Disp.</u> <u>(cm)</u>
13 Feb. 1983 0953 UTC	Monasavu Dam Fiji	1.93	West Up South	- 49.91 36.08 -125.99	- 49.67 33.99 -124.57	-1.79 1.35 3.53	0.21 0.16 0.15
14 Feb. 1983 1218 UTC	Monasavu Dam Fiji	0.70	West Up South	- 30.16 29.83 65.16	- 28.38 28.36 63.46	-1.29 0.96 1.81	0.14 0.11 0.08
23 Feb. 1983 1517 UTC	Monasavu Dam Fiji	4.47	West Up South	19.69 - 9.26 39.52	17.56 - 9.03 - 38.59	0.65 0.33 1.22	0.04 -0.03 0.06

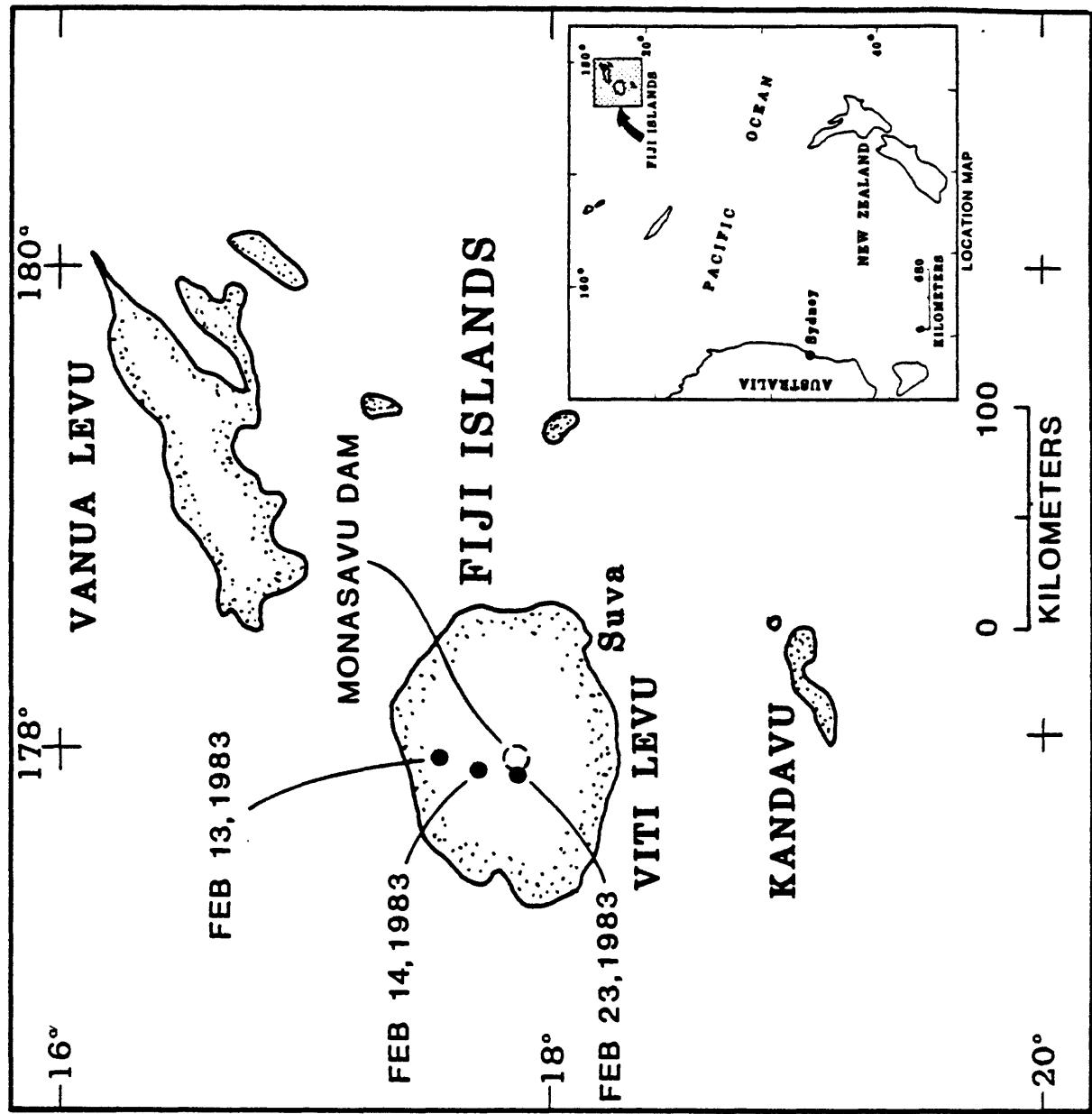


FIGURE 1. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF FIJI, EPICENTER, AND MONASAVU DAM.

MONASAVU

FIJI, MONASAVU DAM

13 February 1983

09 53 00.3 UTC

FIJI, MONASAVU DAM

14 February 1983

12 18 41.6 UTC

WEST

FIJI, MONASAVU DAM

23 February 1983

15 17 30.3 UTC

UP

SOUTH

5 sec

FIGURE 2. COPIES OF ORIGINAL RECORDS.

Appendix for Computer Plots

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Uncorrected accelerogram	4	12
Corrected acceleration, velocity, displacement	9-11	17-19
Relative velocity response spectra, linear plot	18-20	26-28
Response spectra, tripartite log plot	27-29	35-37
Fourier amplitude spectrum linear plot	36-38	44-46
Fourier spectrum calculated by FFT, log-log plot	45-47	53-55
Fiji, Monasavu Dam 23 February, 1983 1517 UTC		
Uncorrected accelerogram	5	13
Corrected acceleration, velocity, displacement	12-14	20-22
Relative velocity response spectra, linear plot	21-23	29-31
Response spectra, tripartite log plot	30-32	38-40
Fourier amplitude spectrum linear plot	39-41	42-49
Fourier spectrum calculated by FFT, log-log plot	48-50	56-58

UNCORRECTED ACCELERPROGRAM
 MONASAVU DAM FIJI
 WEST UP SOUTH
 EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983 0953 UTC -49.91 36.08 -125.99
 PEAK VALUES (CM/SEC/SEC):

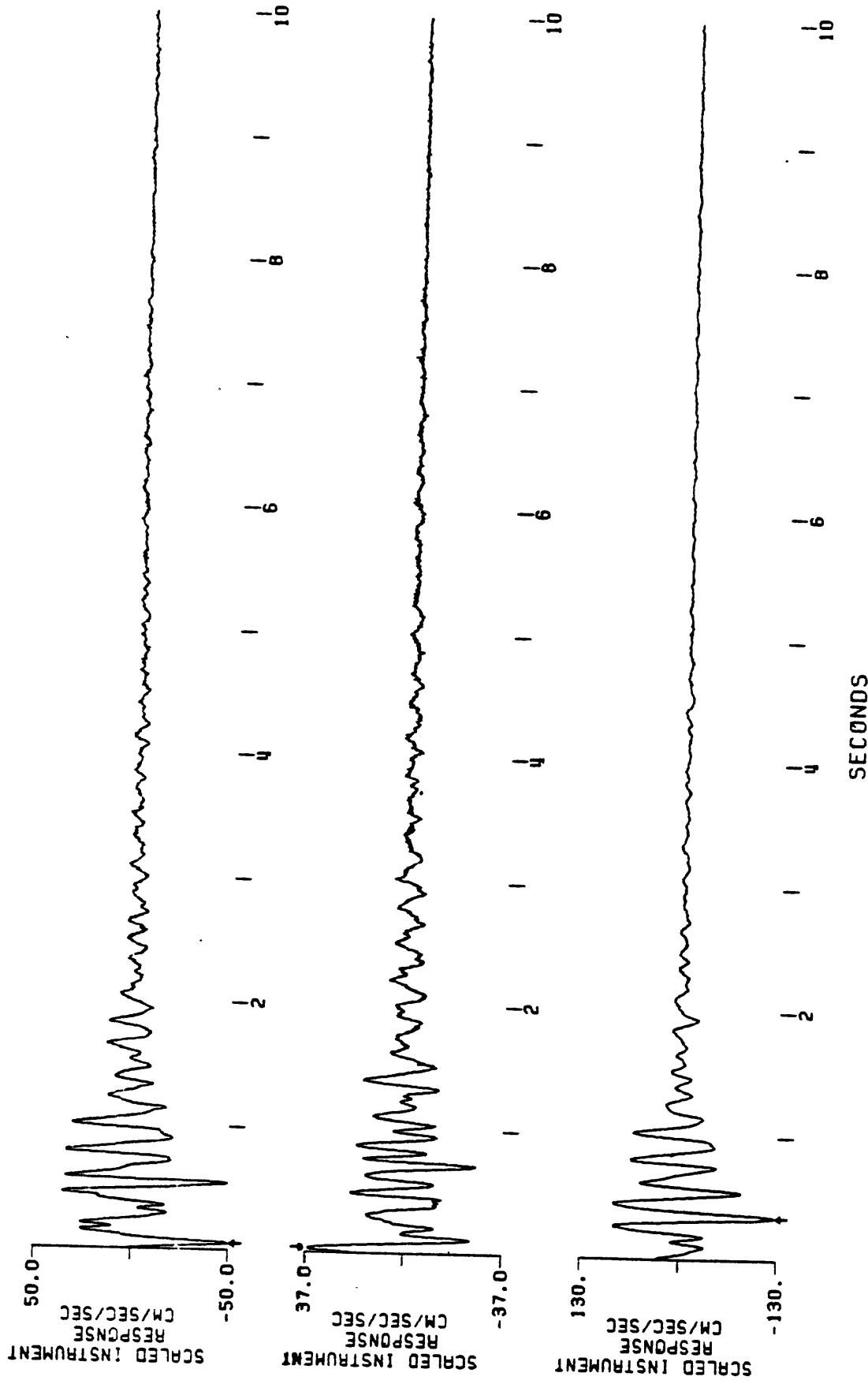


FIGURE 3.

UNCORRECTED ACCELERogram
 MONASAVU DAM FIJI
 WEST UP SOUTH
 EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 14, 1983 1218 UTC 65.16
 PEAK VALUES (CM/SEC/SEC): -30.16 29.83

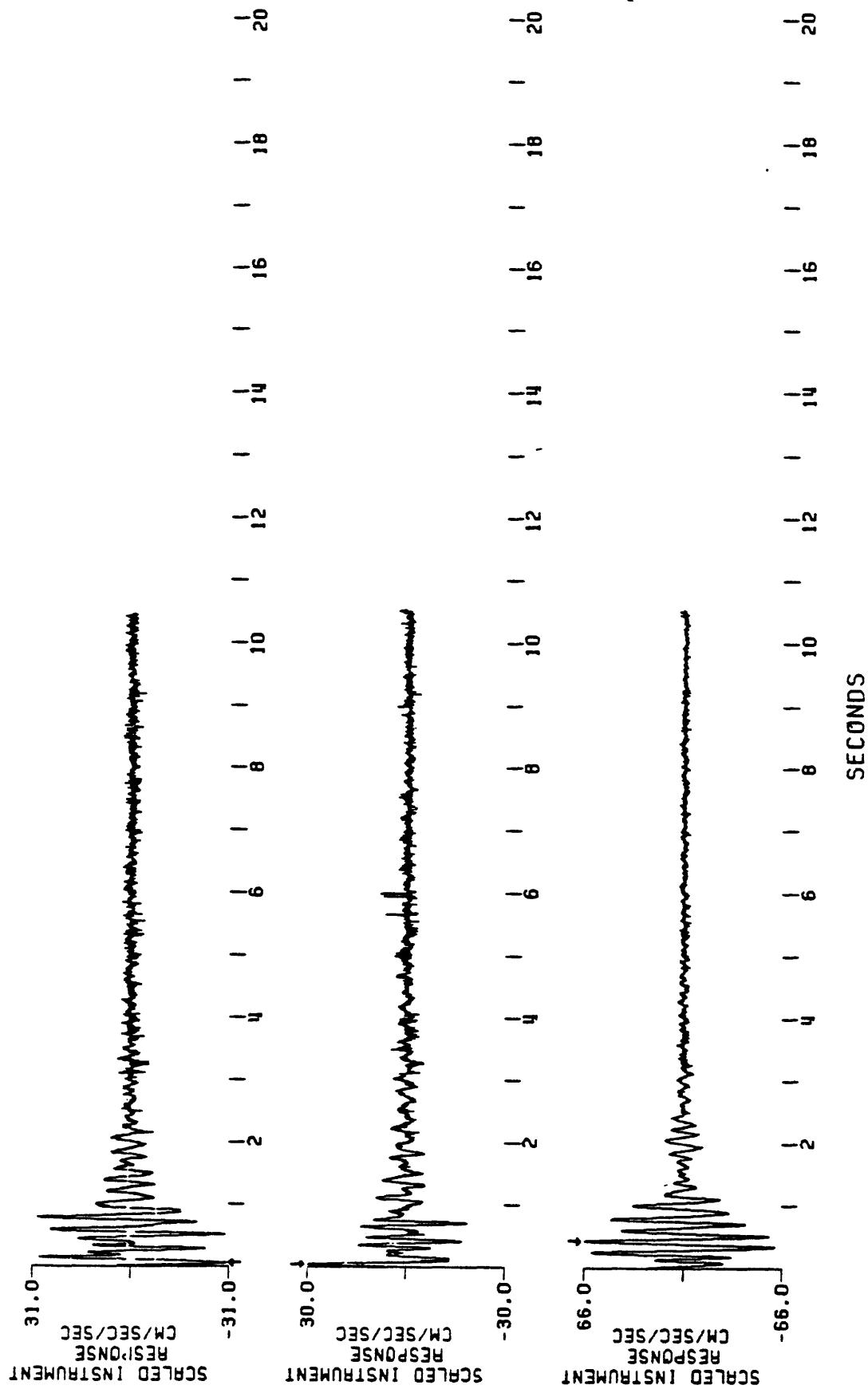
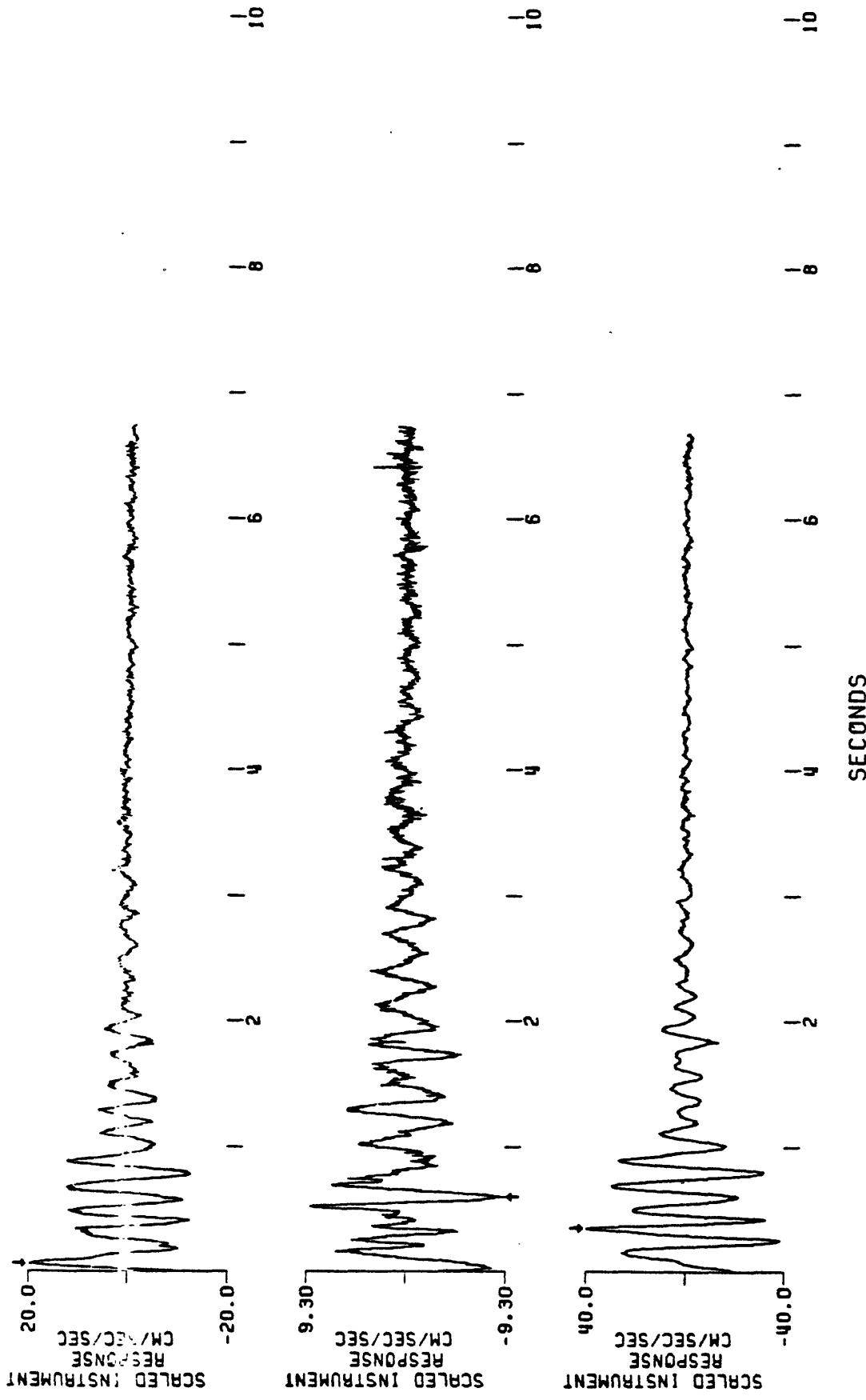


FIGURE 4.

UNCORRECTED ACCELEROMETER
 MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
 WEST UP SOUTH
 EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983 1517 UTC 39.52
 PEAK VALUES (CM/SEC/SEC) : 19.69 -9.26 40.0



CORRECTED ACCELERATION, VELOCITY AND DISPLACEMENT 200.00 SPS
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI

EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983, 0953 UTC
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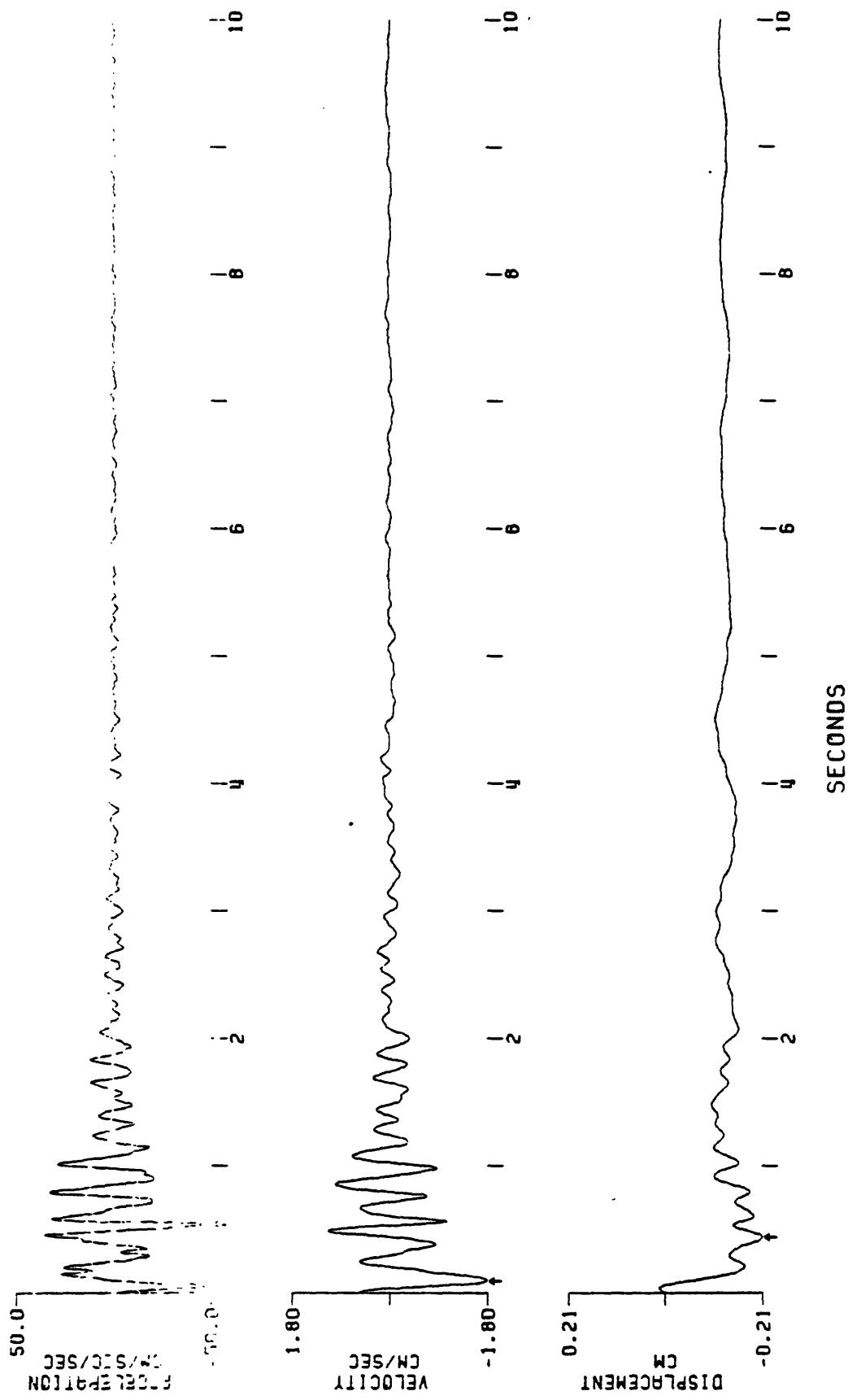


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CORRECTED ACCELERATION, VELOCITY, AND DISPLACEMENT 200.00 SPS

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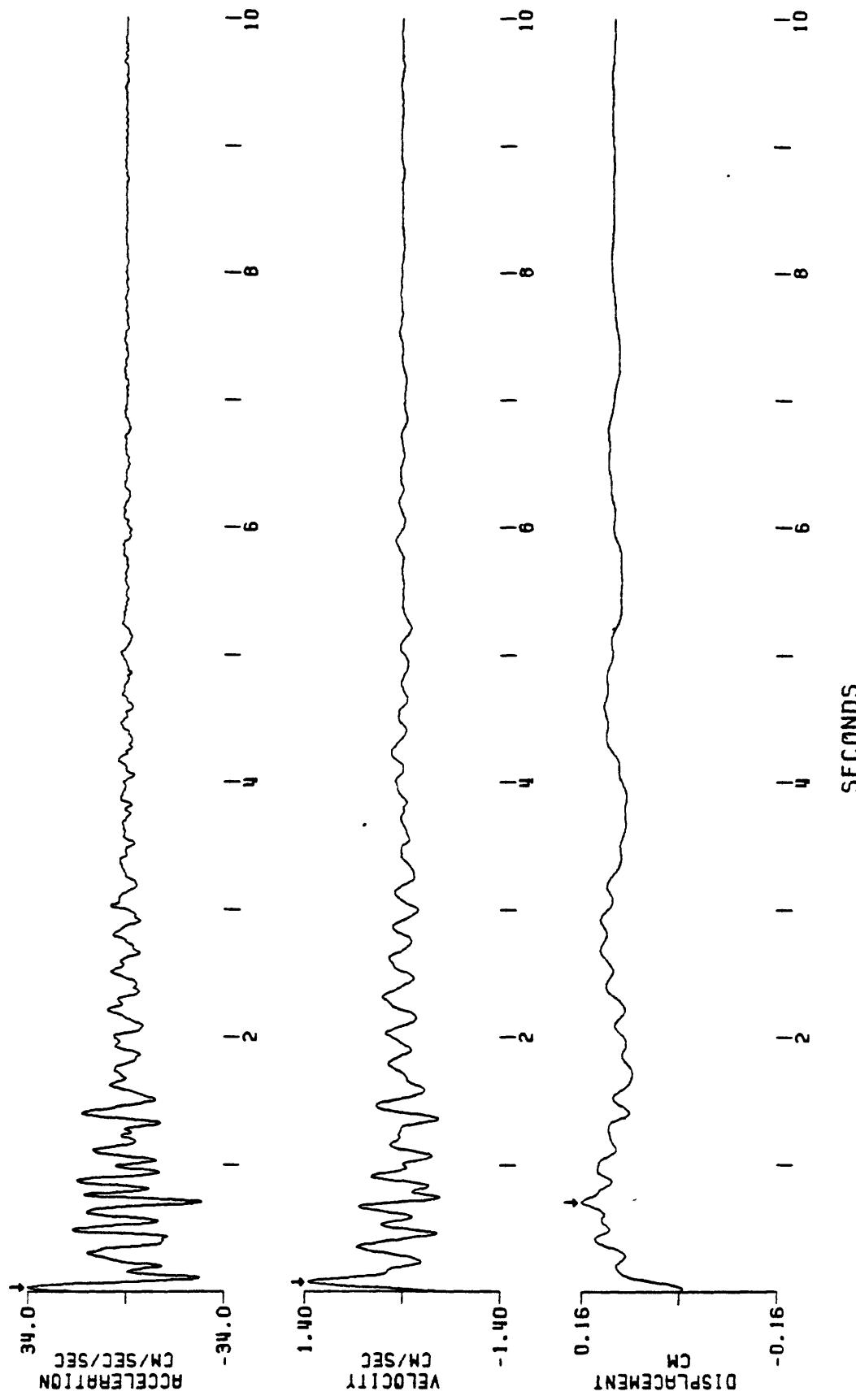
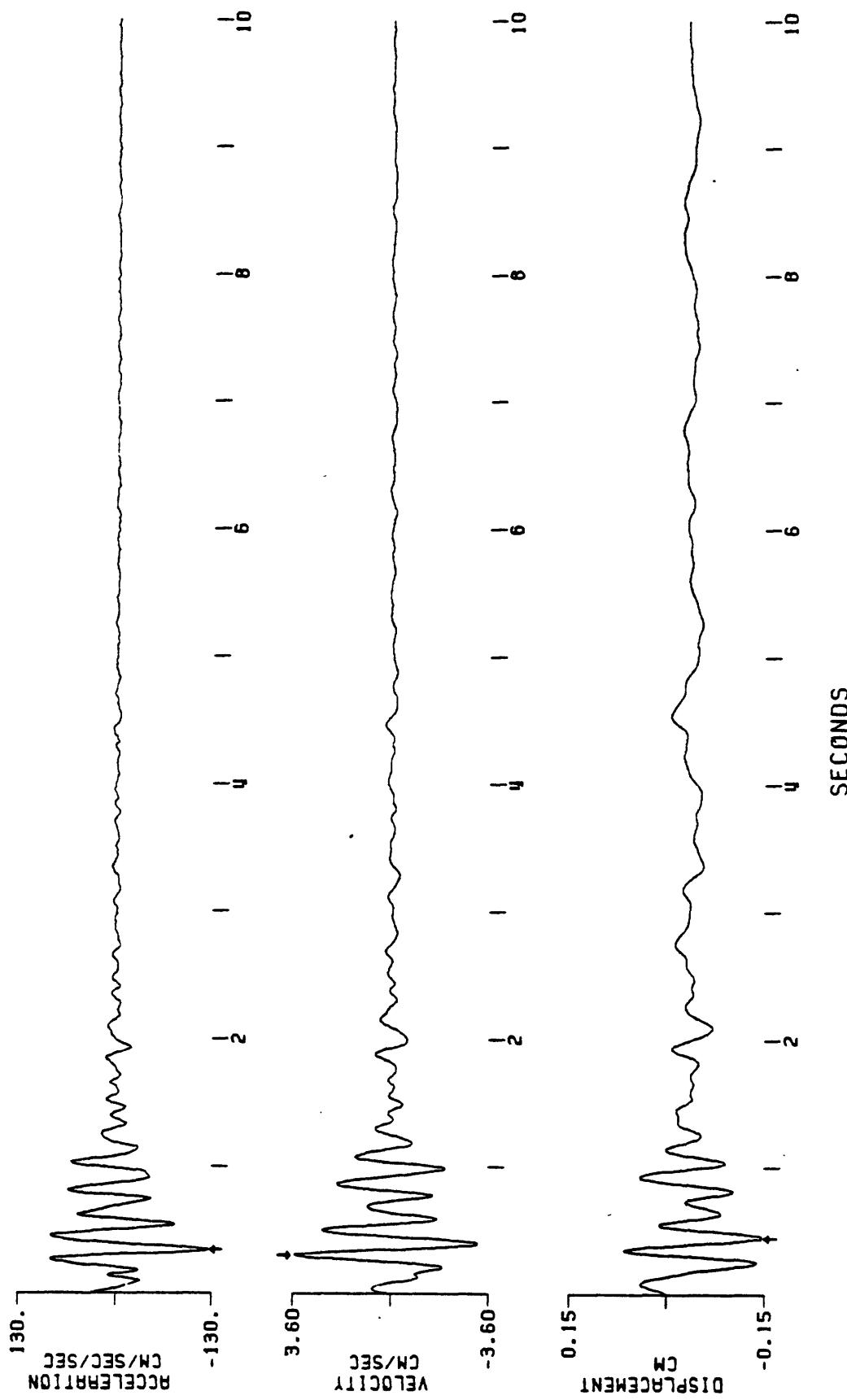
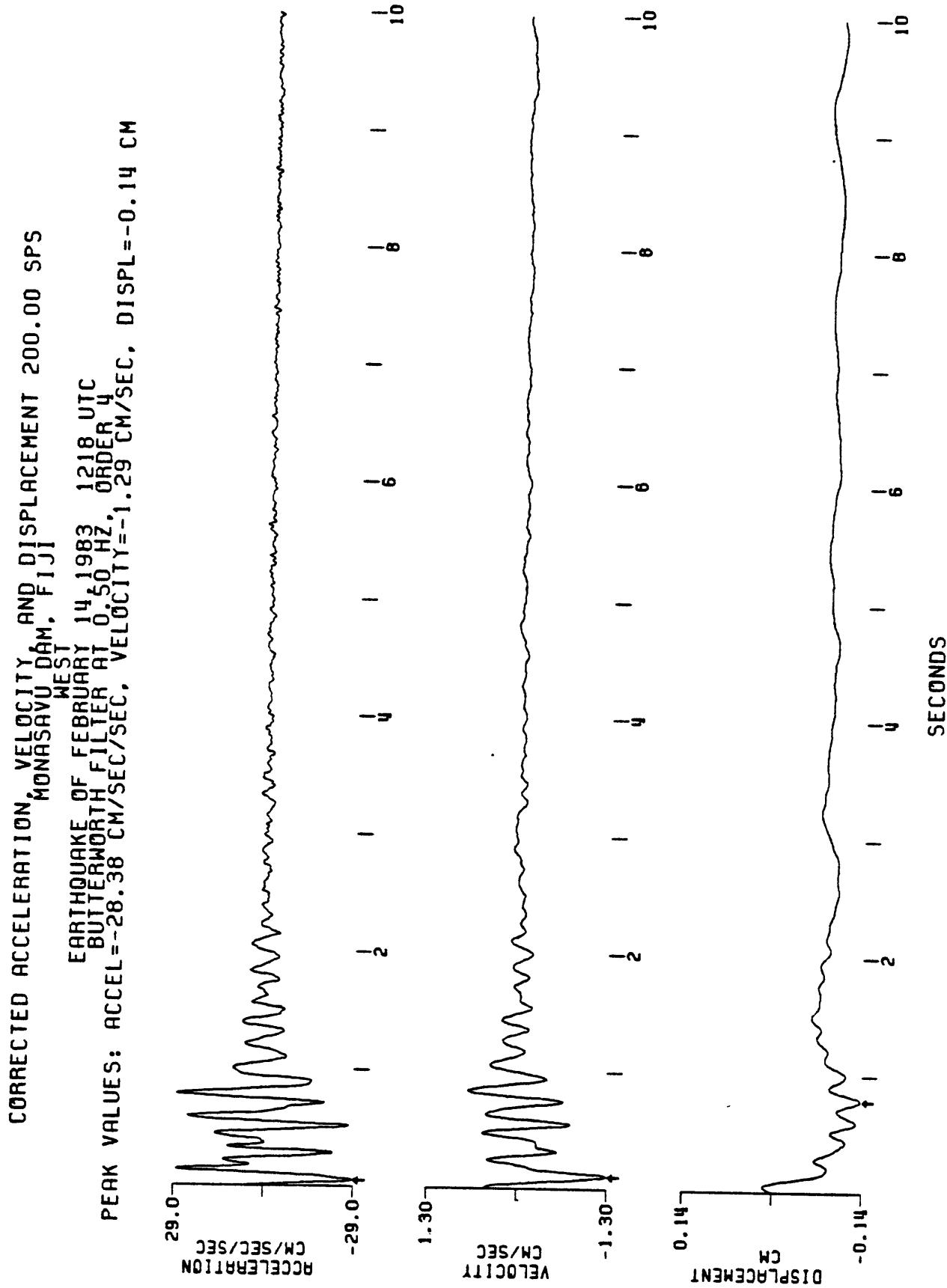


FIGURE 7.

CORRECTED ACCELERATION, VELOCITY, AND DISPLACEMENT 200.00 SPS

EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983 0953 UTC
 SOUTH BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 HZ ORDER 4
 PEAK VALUES: ACCEL = -124.57 CM/SEC/SEC, VELOCITY = 3.53 CM/SEC, DISPL = -0.15 CM





CORRECTED ACCELERATION, VELOCITY, AND DISPLACEMENT 200.00 SPS
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI

EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 14, 1983, 1218 UTC
UP BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 HZ ORDER 4

PEAK VALUES: ACCEL=28.36 CM/SEC/SEC., VELOCITY=0.96 CM/SEC., DISPL=0.11 CM

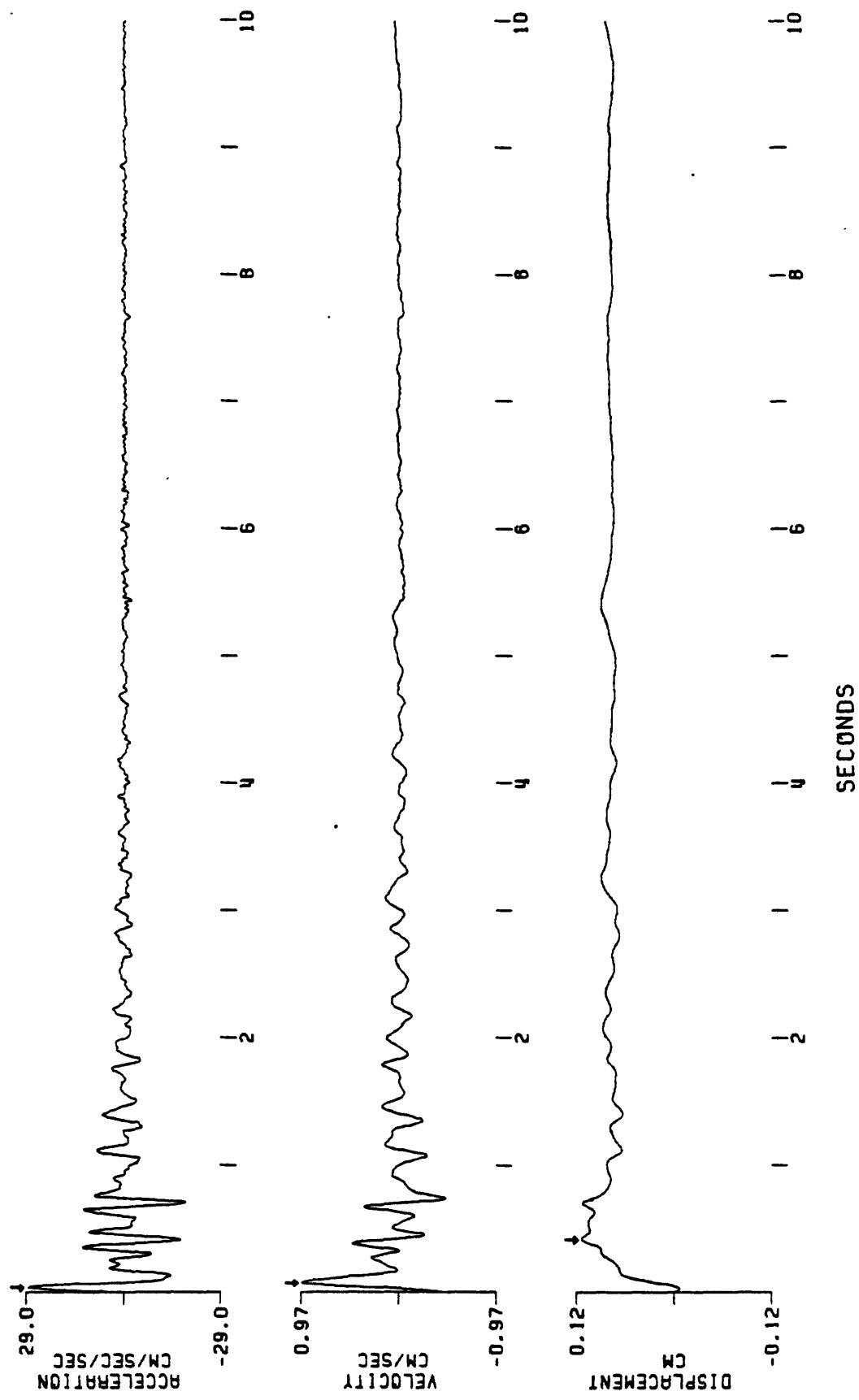


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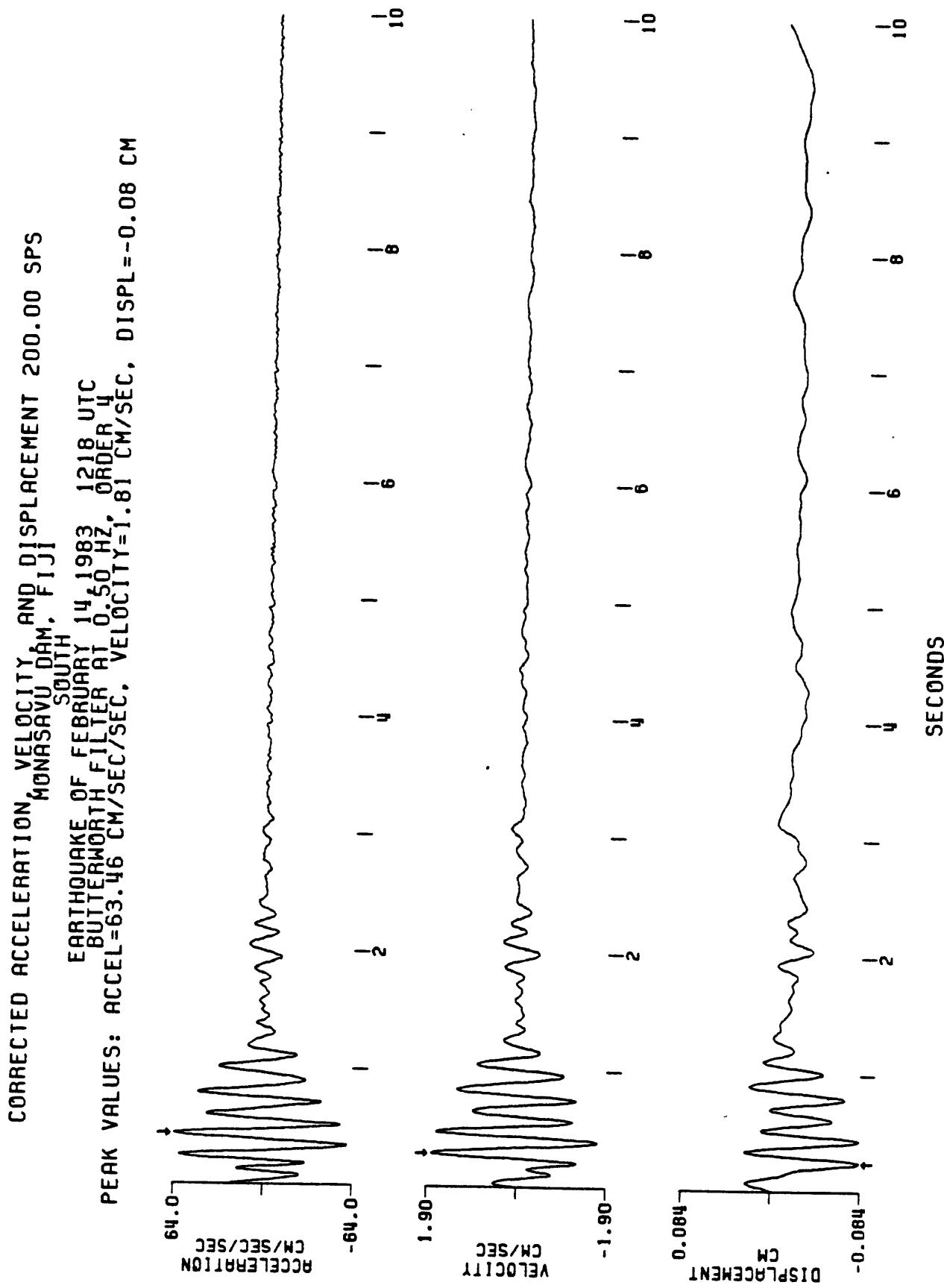
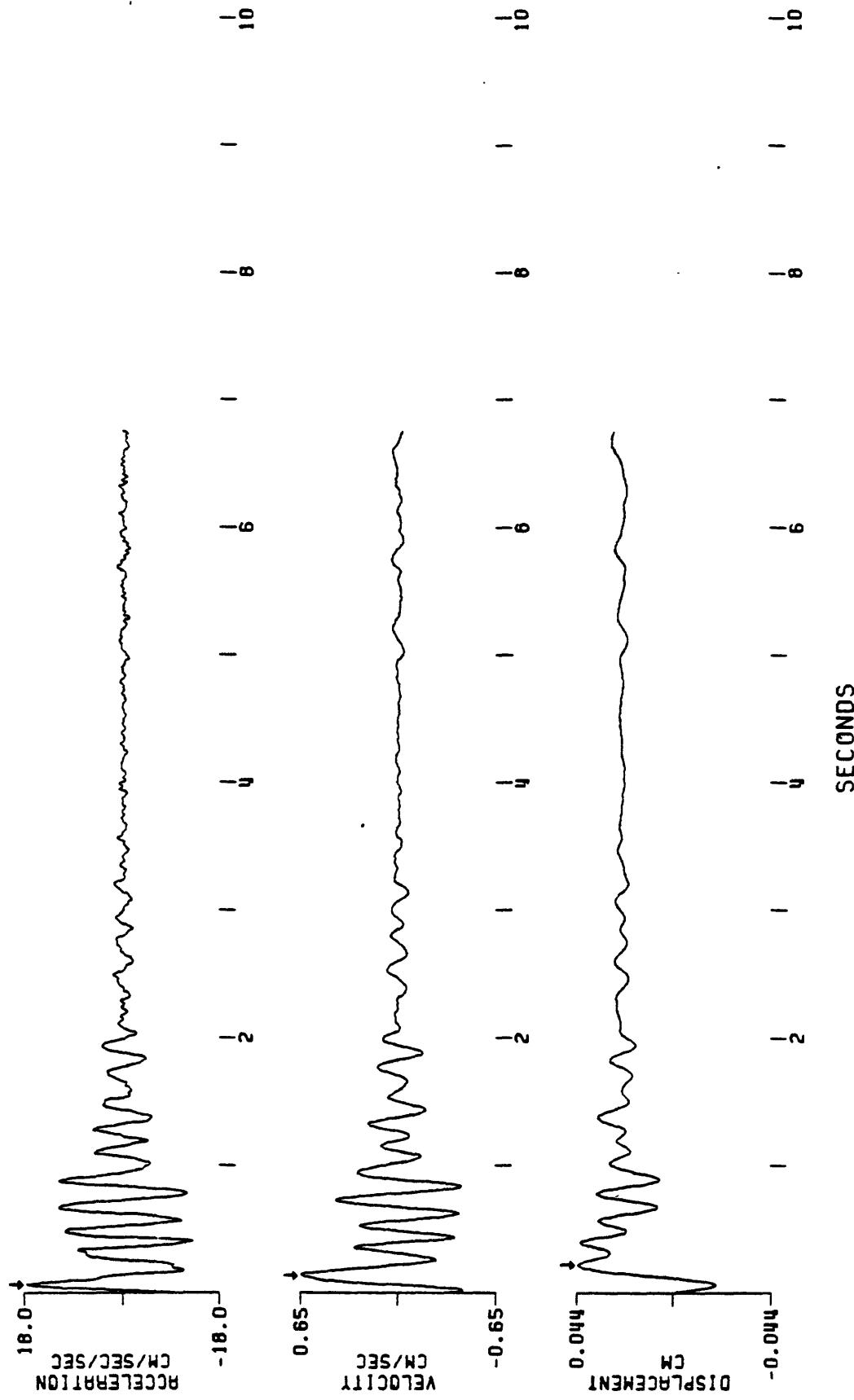


FIGURE 11.

CORRECTED ACCELERATION, VELOCITY, AND DISPLACEMENT 200.00 SPS

DAM. FIJI
WEST
EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983 1517 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 1.00 HZ ORDER 4
ACCEL=17.56 CM/SEC/SEC, VELOCITY=0.65 CM/SEC, DISPL=0.04 CM



CORRECTED ACCELERATION, VELOCITY AND DISPLACEMENT 200.00 SPS
 MONASAWU DAM, F1J
 UP
 EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983, 1517 UTC
 BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 1.00 HZ, ORDER 4
 PEAK VALUES: ACCEL=-9.03 CM/SEC/SEC, VELOCITY=0.33 CM/SEC, DISPL=-0.03 CM

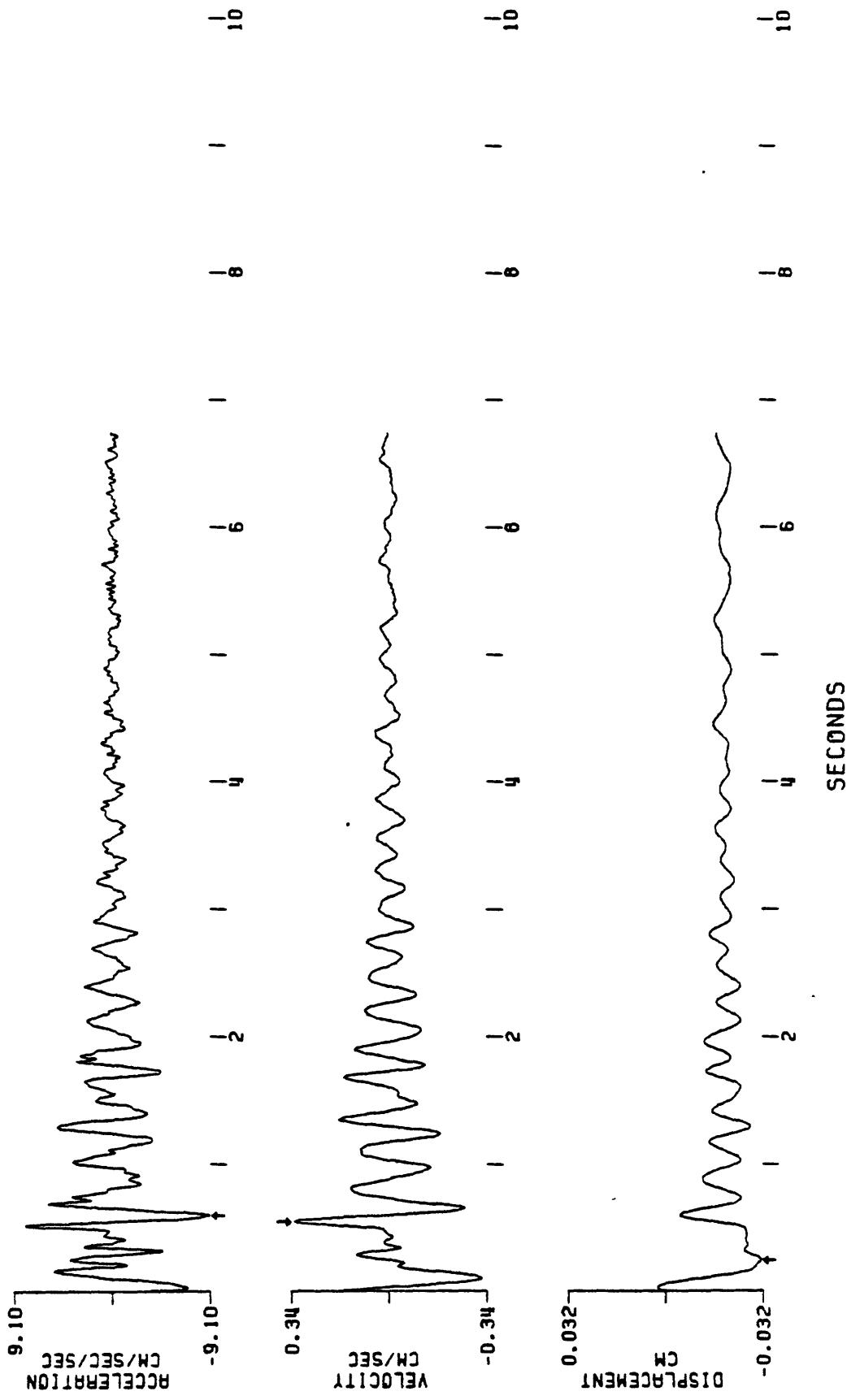


FIGURE 13.

CORRECTED ACCELERATION, VELOCITY AND DISPLACEMENT 200.00 SPS

MONASAWU DAM,
SOUTH
EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983 1517 UTC
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PEAK VALUES: ACCEL = -38.59 CM/SEC/SEC, VELOCITY = 1.22 CM/SEC, DISPL = -0.06 CM

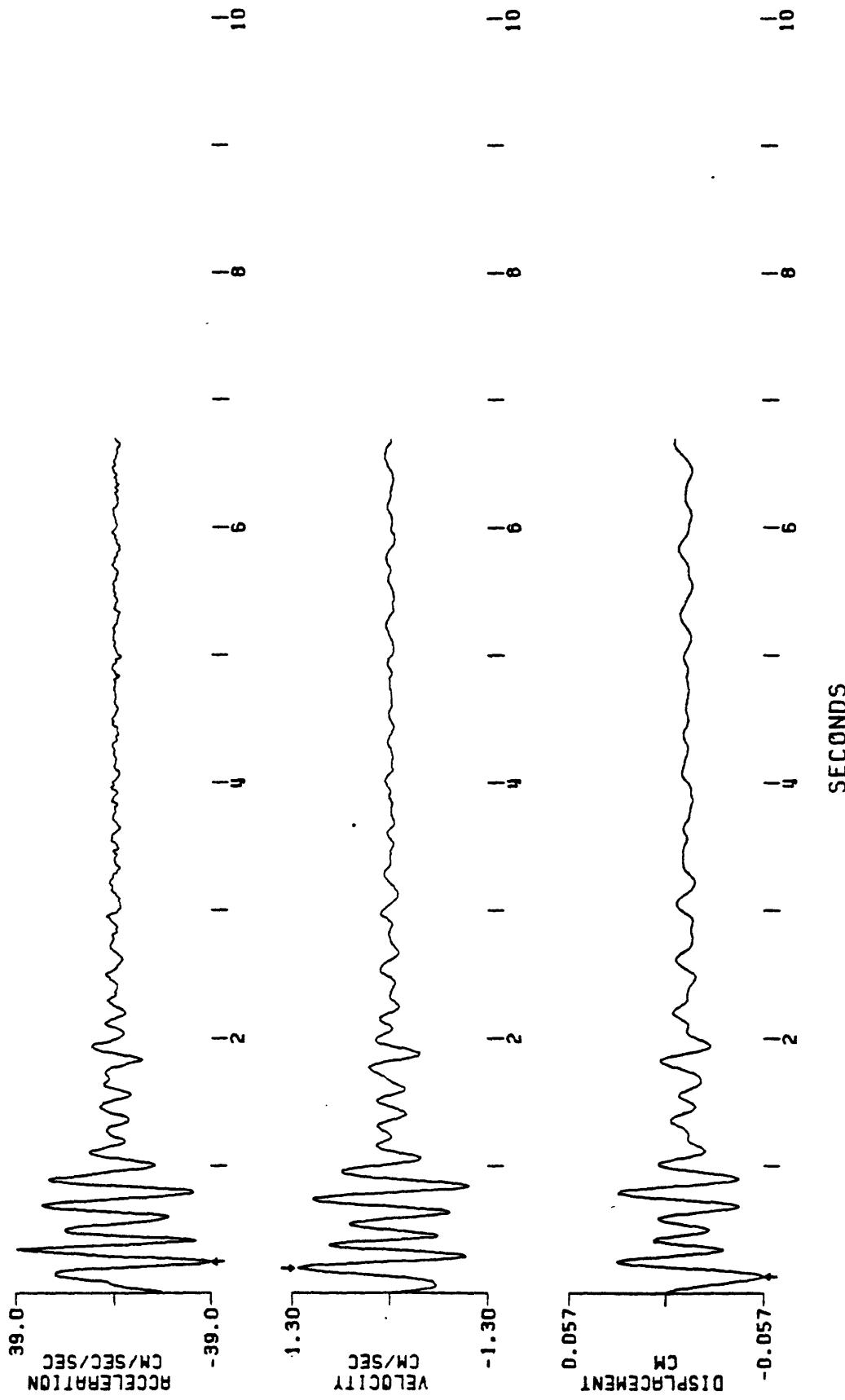


FIGURE 14.

RELATIVE VELOCITY RESPONSE SPECTRUM
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI WEST 02/13/83 0953 UTC
0.2,5,10,20 PERCENT CRITICAL DAMPING
FILTERS: BUTTERWORTH, ORDER 4, 0.500 HZ; ANTIalias 25 - 30 HZ
NATIONAL STRONG MOTION DATA CENTER

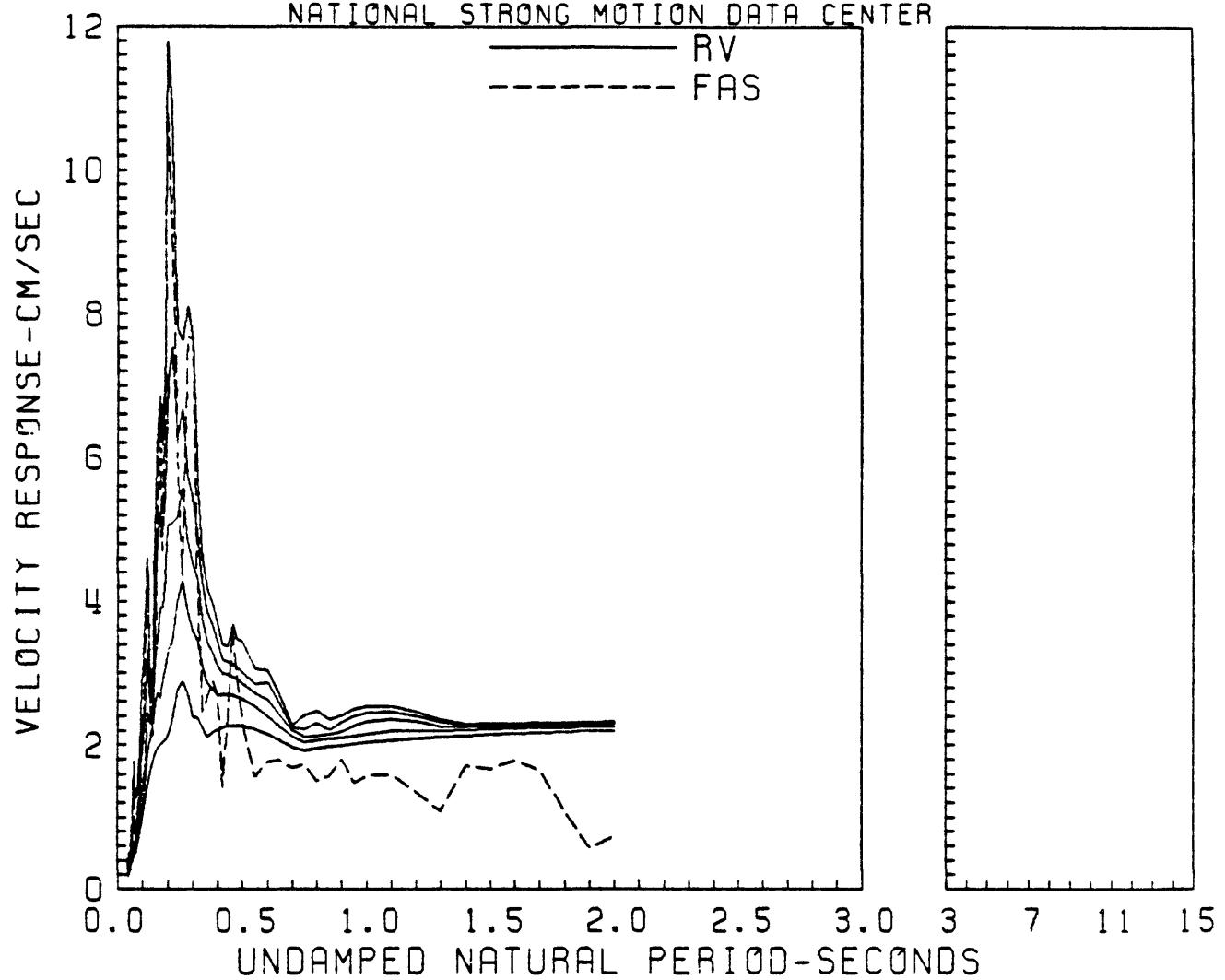


FIGURE 15.

RELATIVE VELOCITY RESPONSE SPECTRUM
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI UP 02/13/83 0953 UTC
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FILTERS: BUTTERWORTH, ORDER 4, 0.500 HZ; ANTIALIAS 25 - 30 HZ
NATIONAL STRONG MOTION DATA CENTER

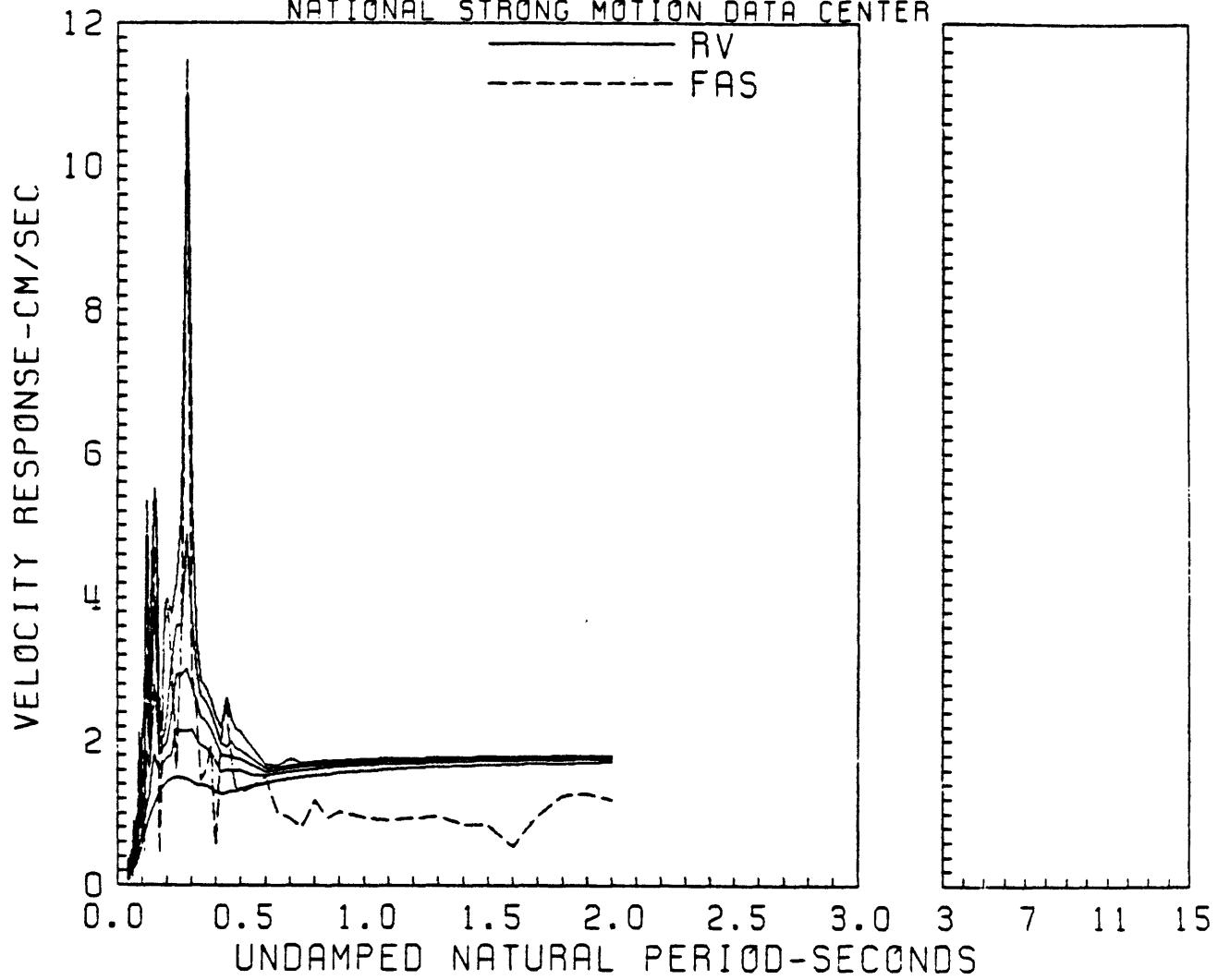


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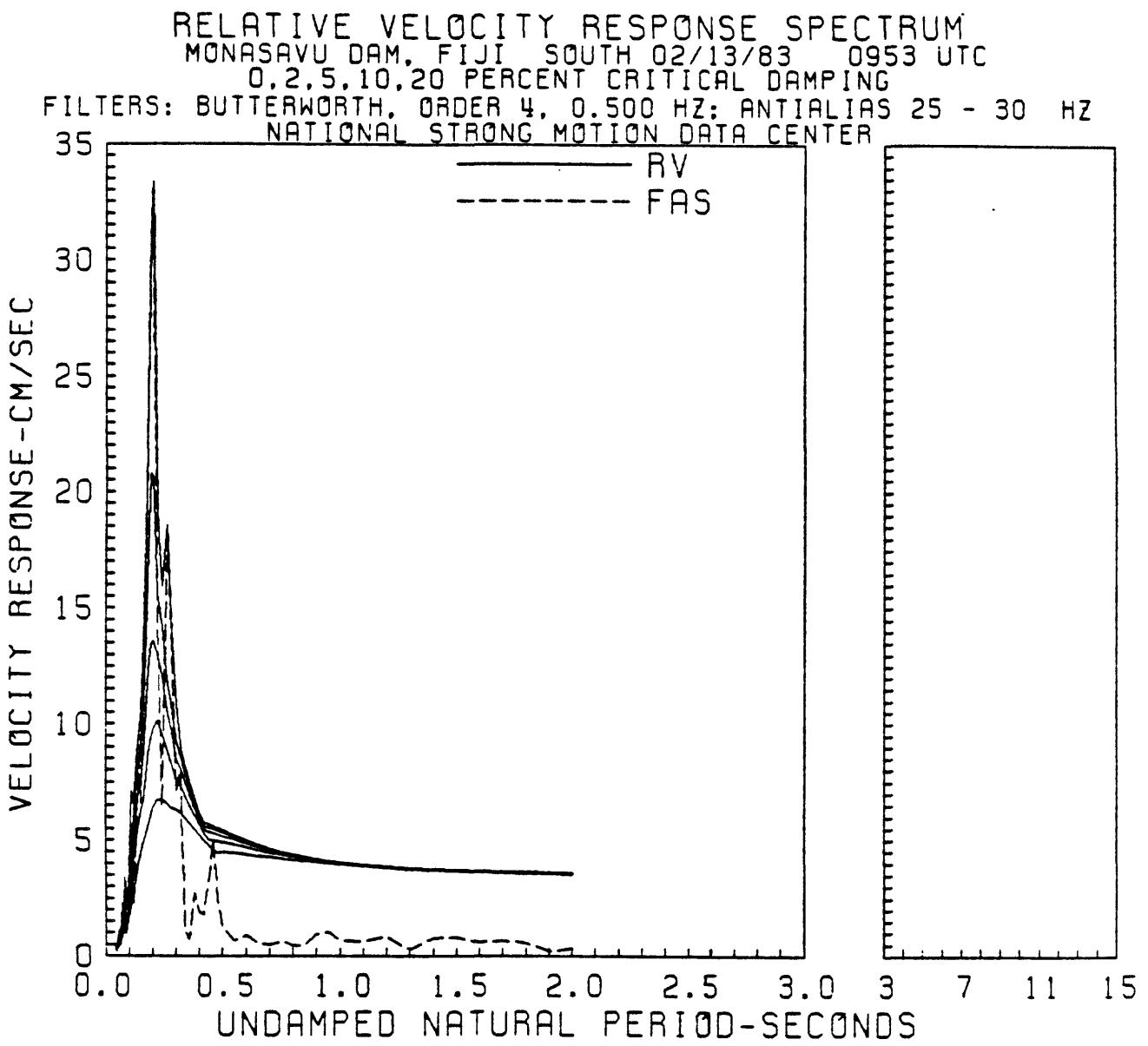


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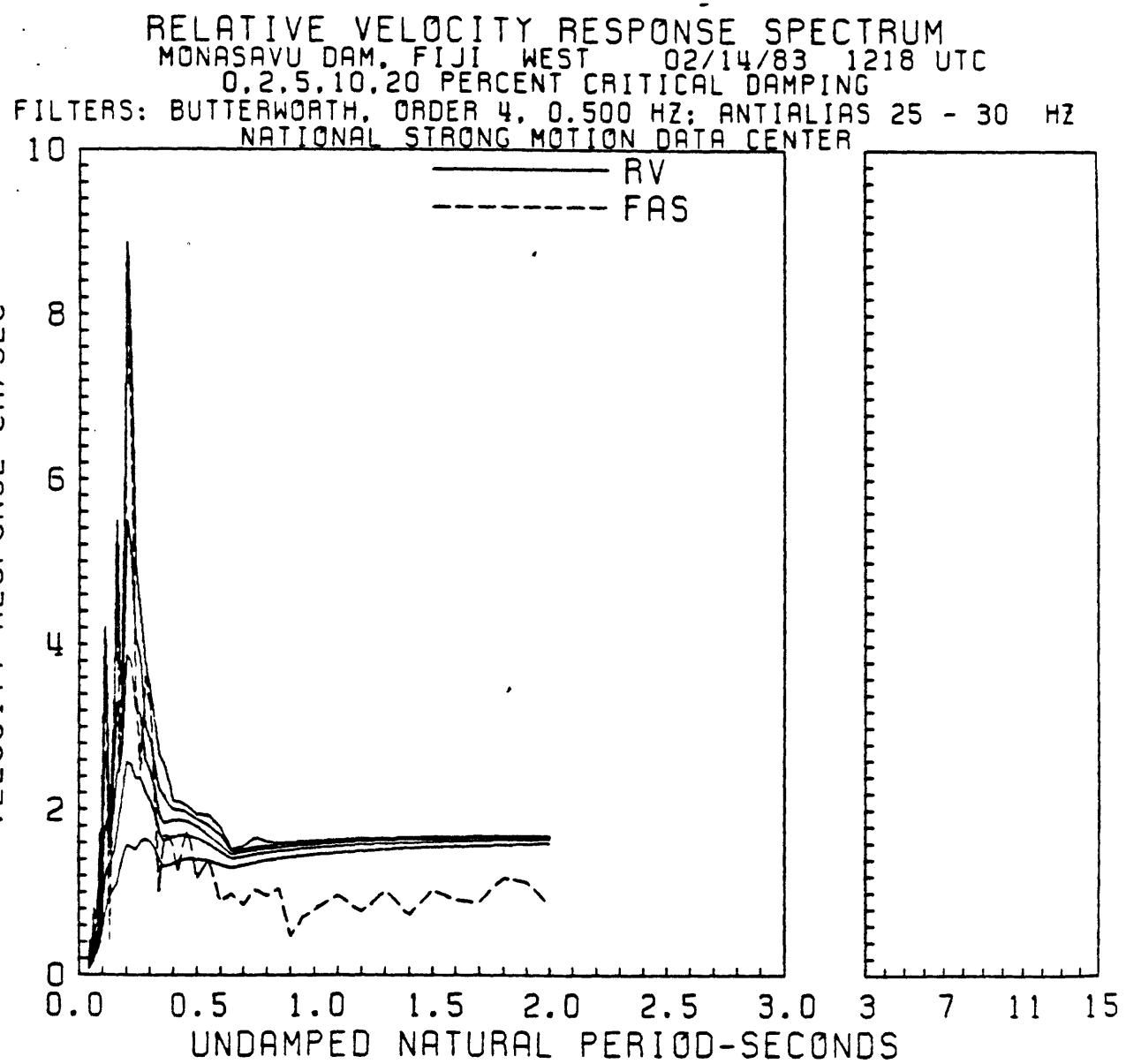


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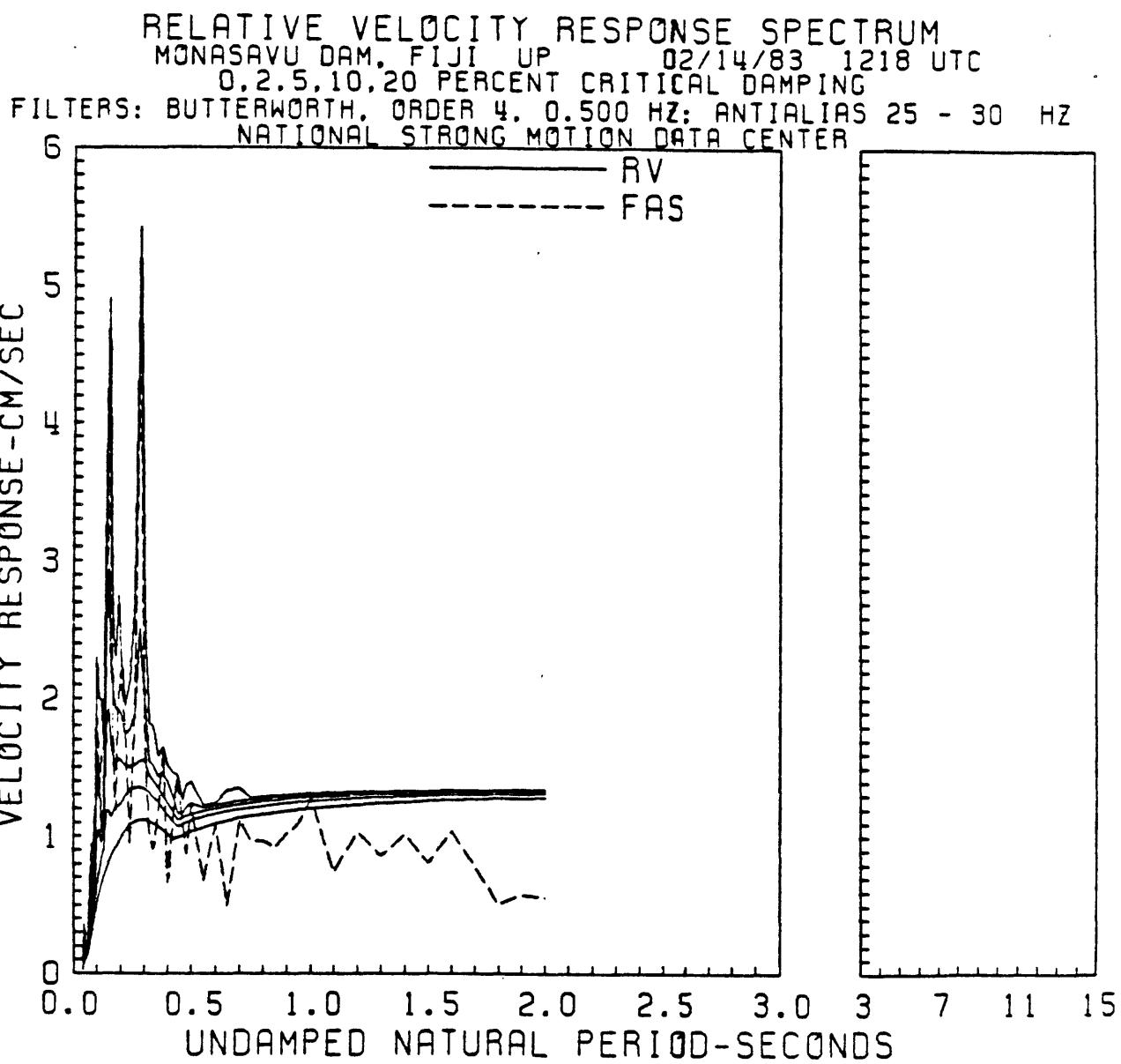


FIGURE 19.

RELATIVE VELOCITY RESPONSE SPECTRUM
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI SOUTH 02/14/83 1218 UTC
0.2.5.10.20 PERCENT CRITICAL DAMPING

FILTERS: BUTTERWORTH, ORDER 4, 0.500 Hz; ANTIalias 25 - 30 Hz
NATIONAL STRONG MOTION DATA CENTER

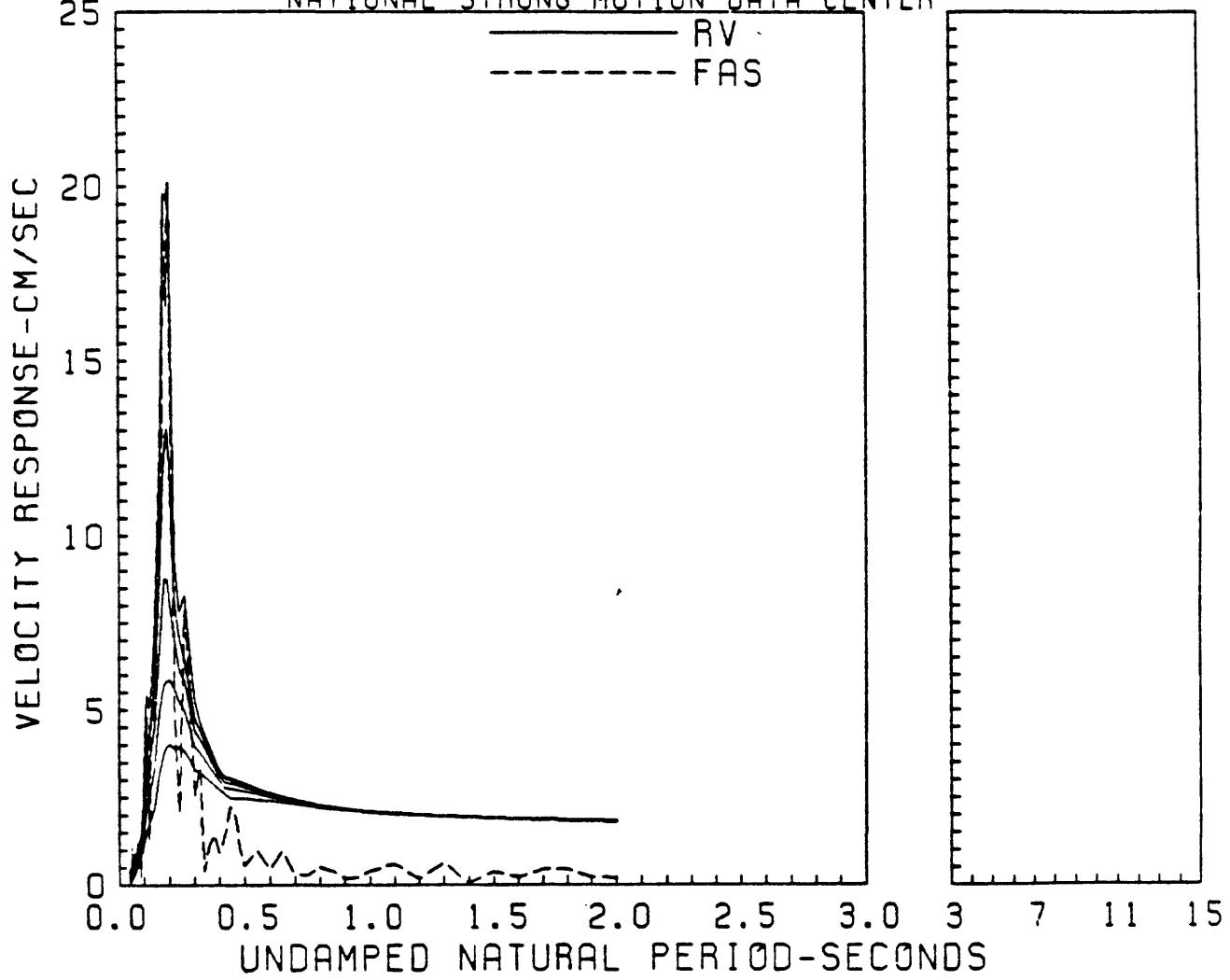


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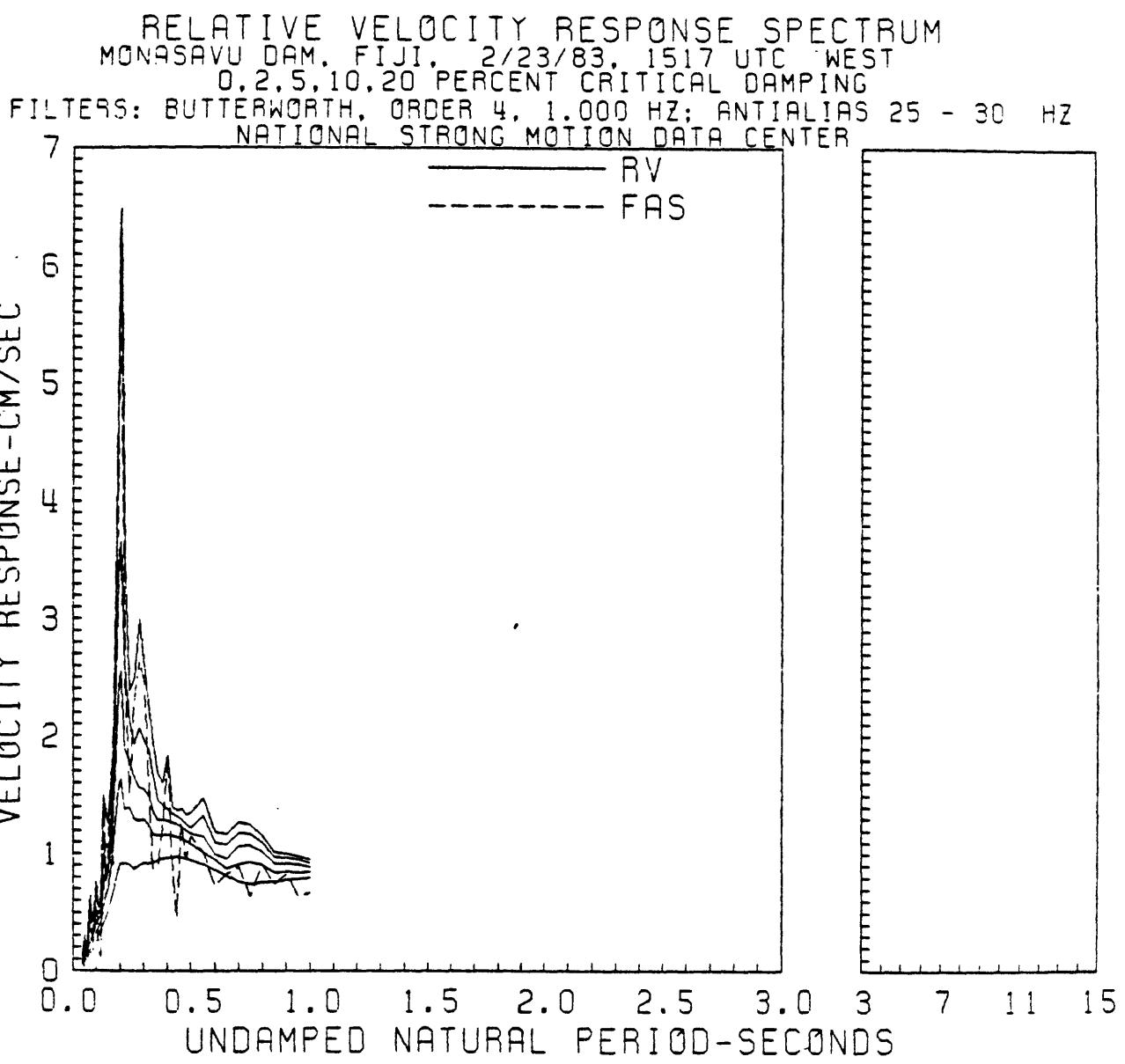


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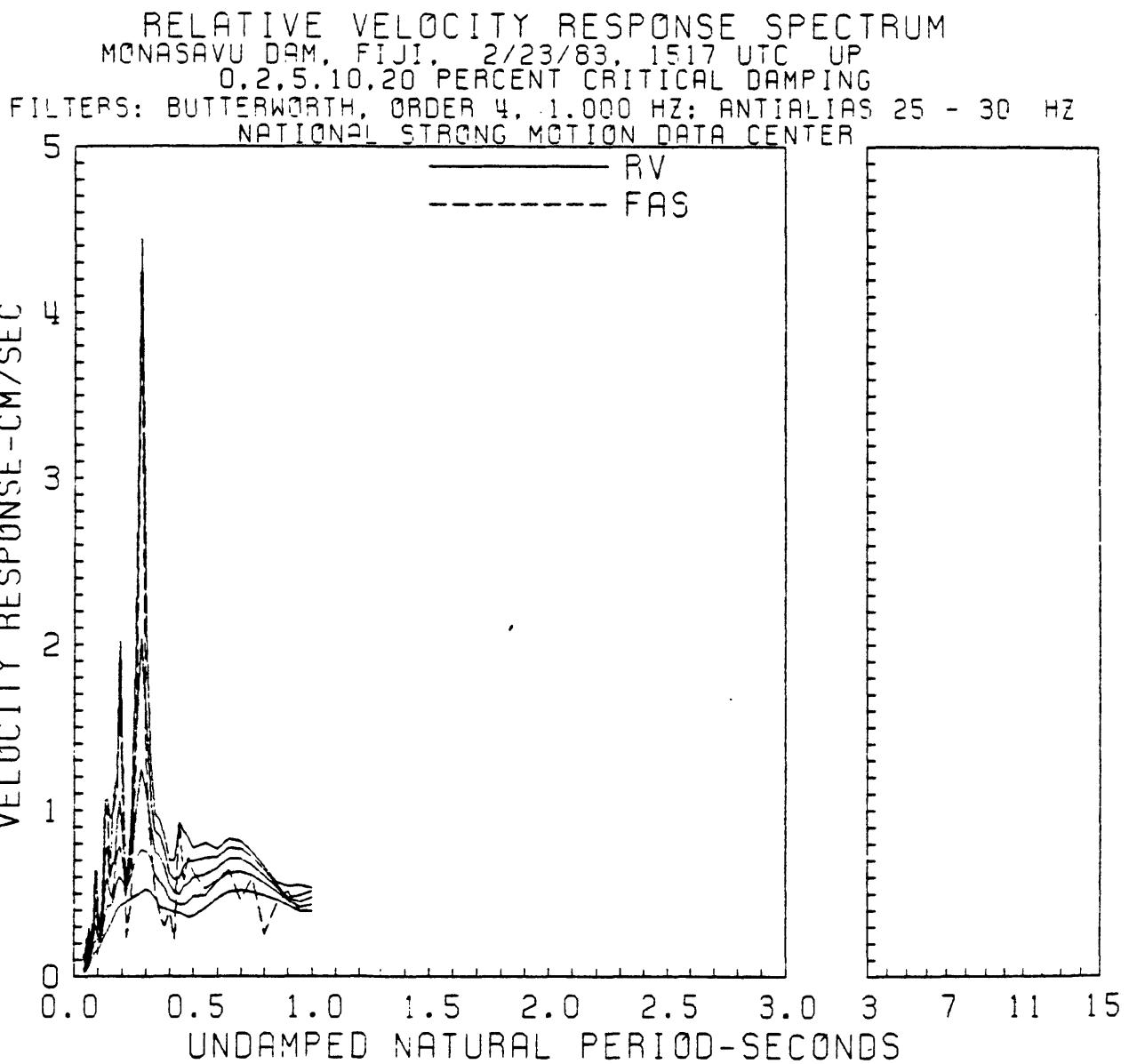


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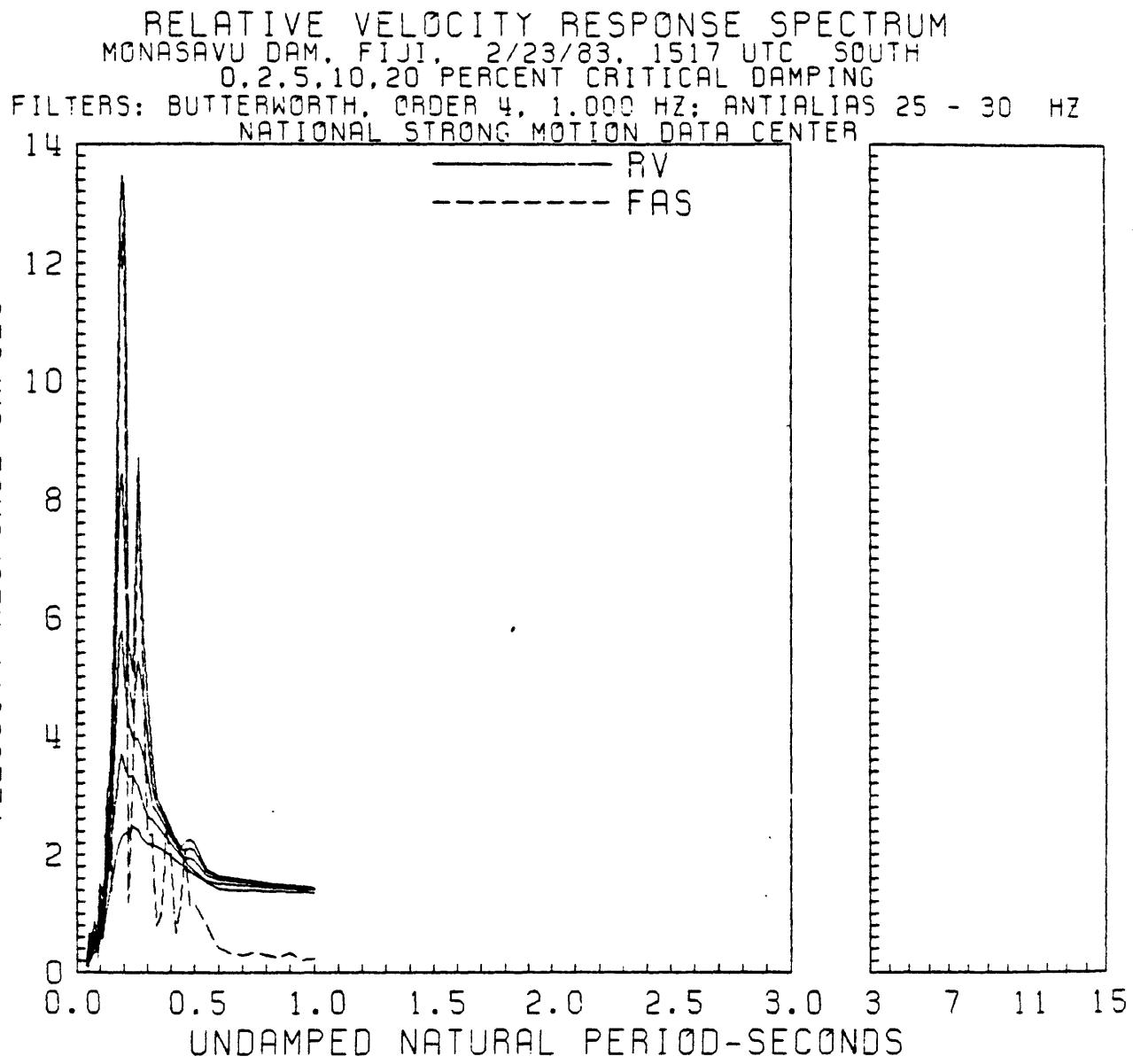


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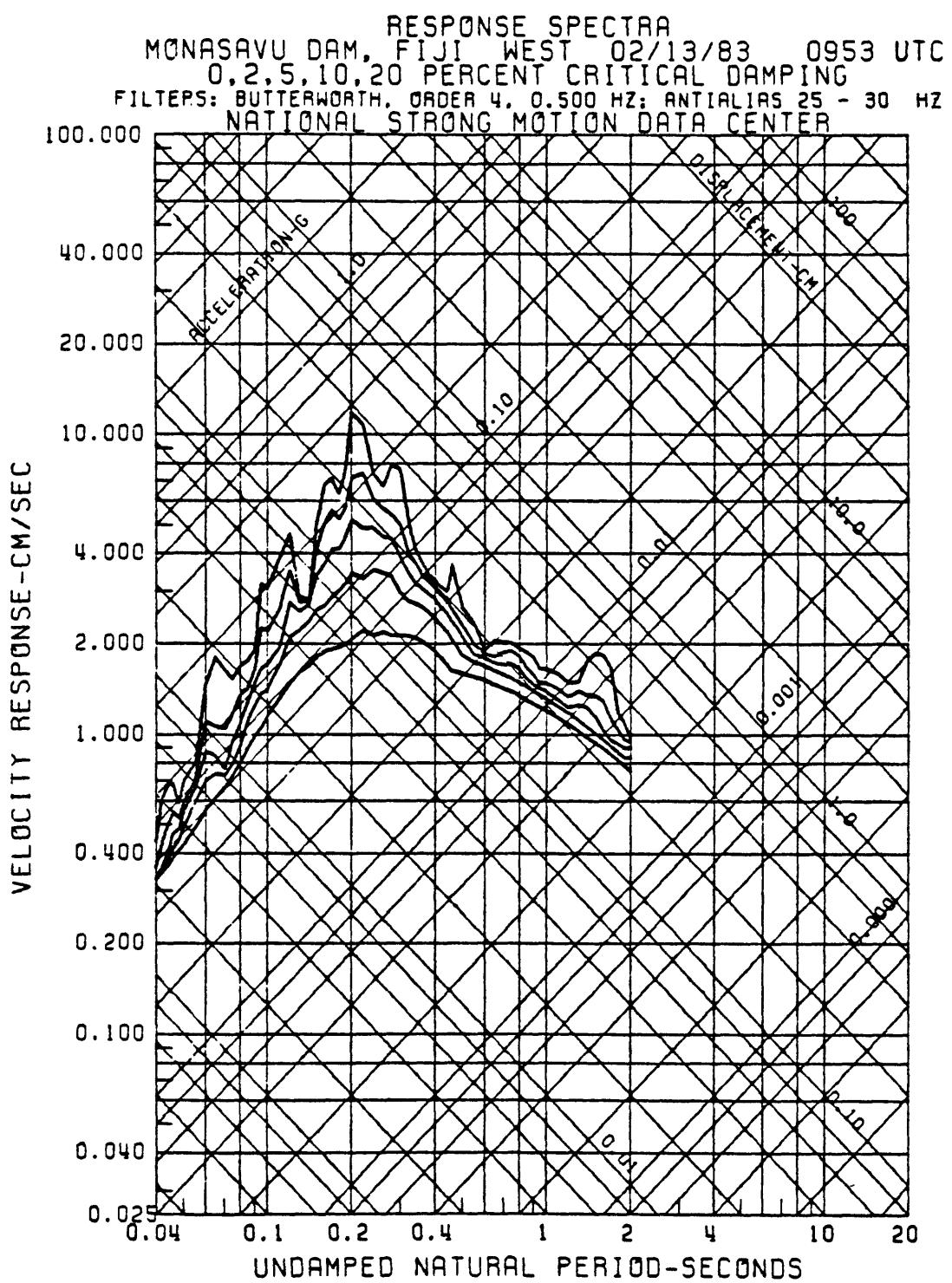


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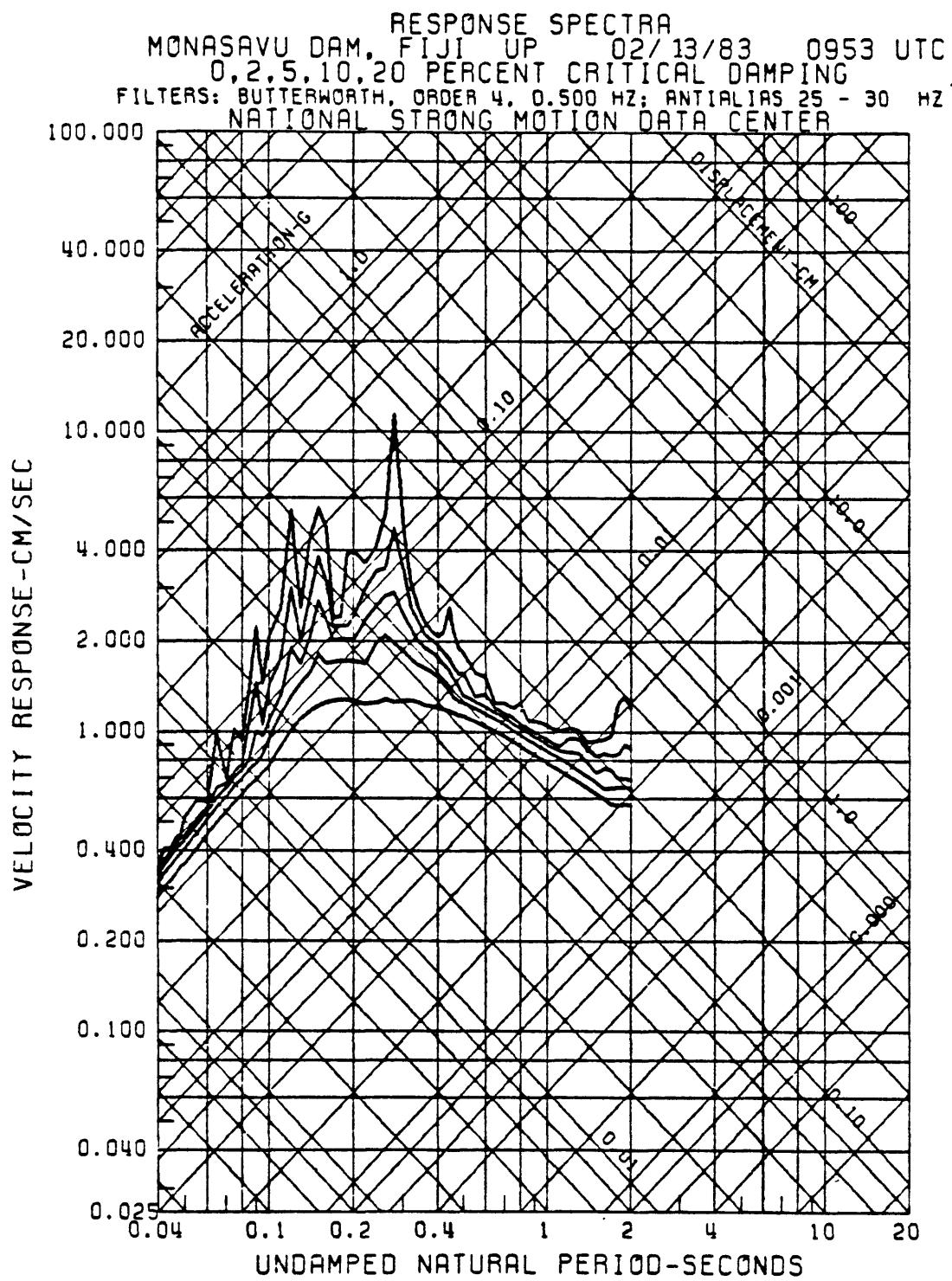


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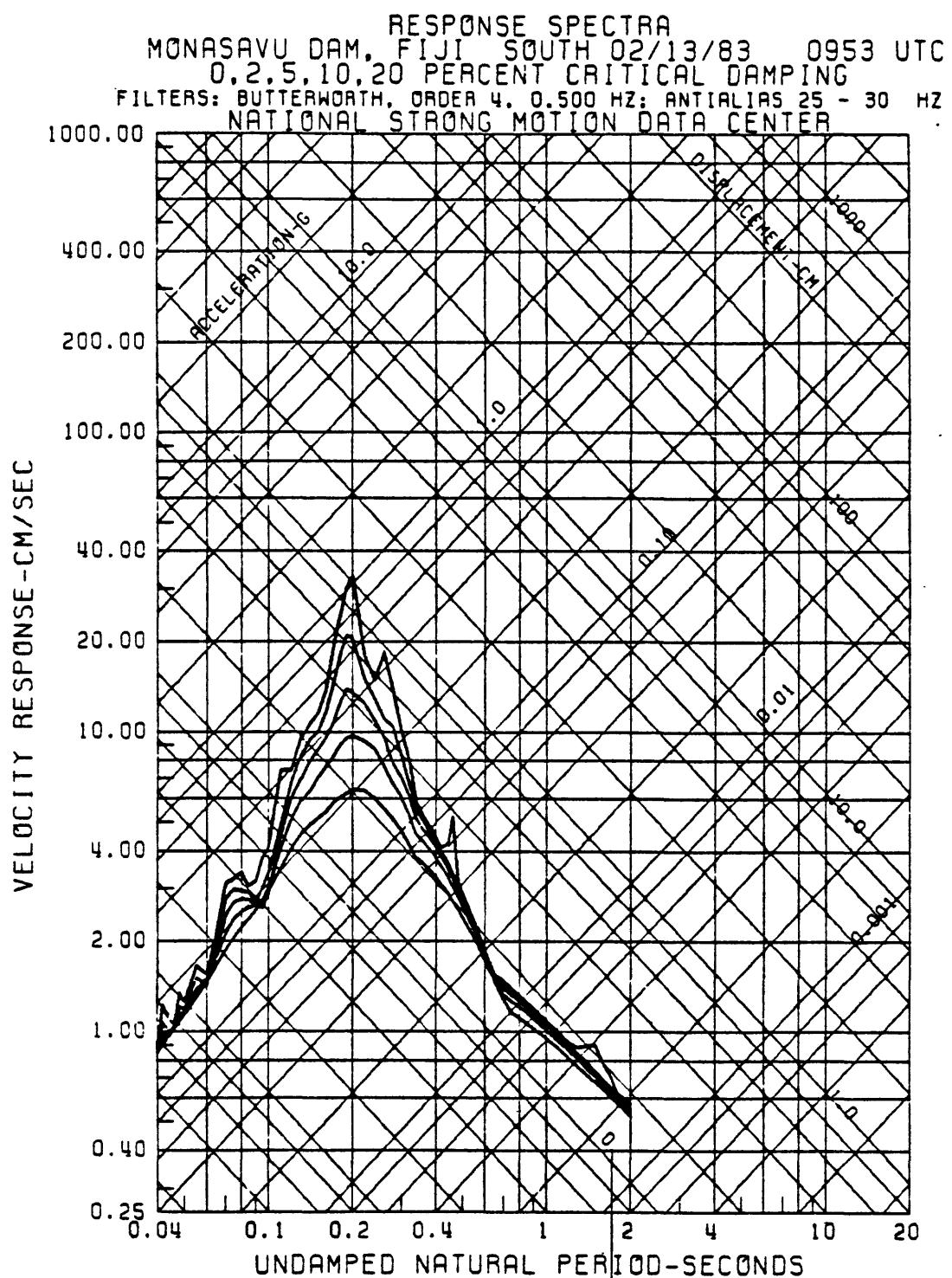


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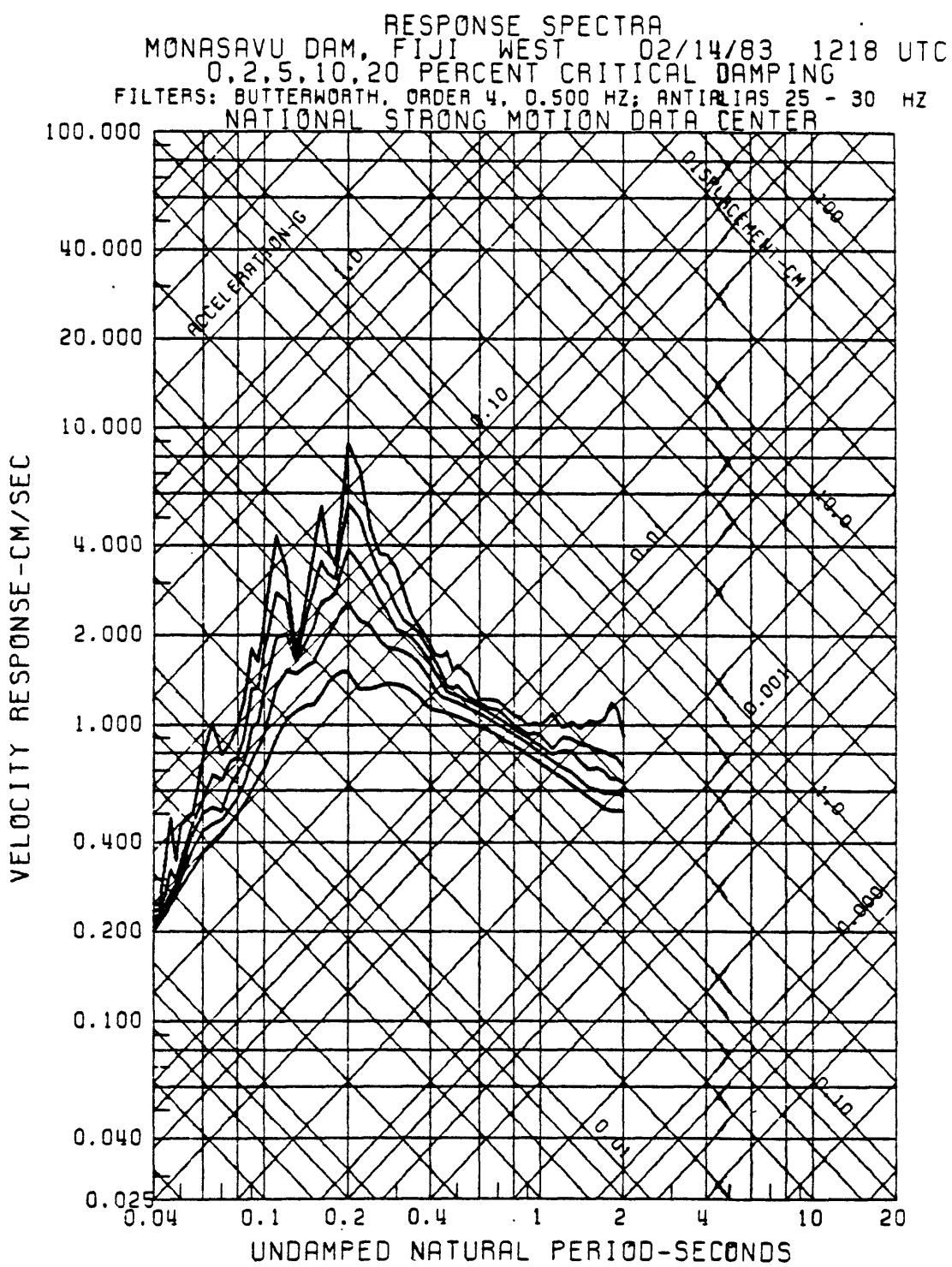


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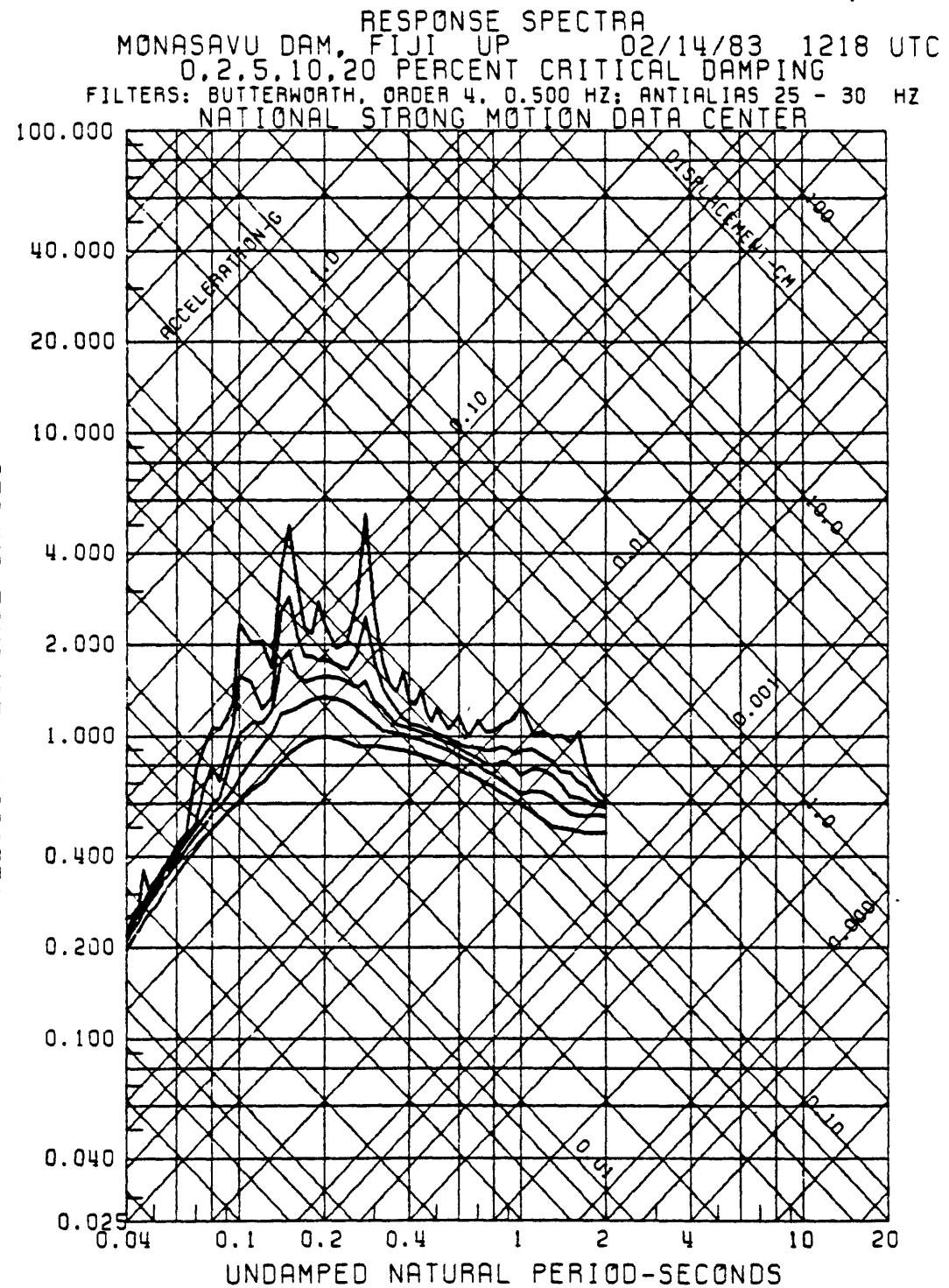


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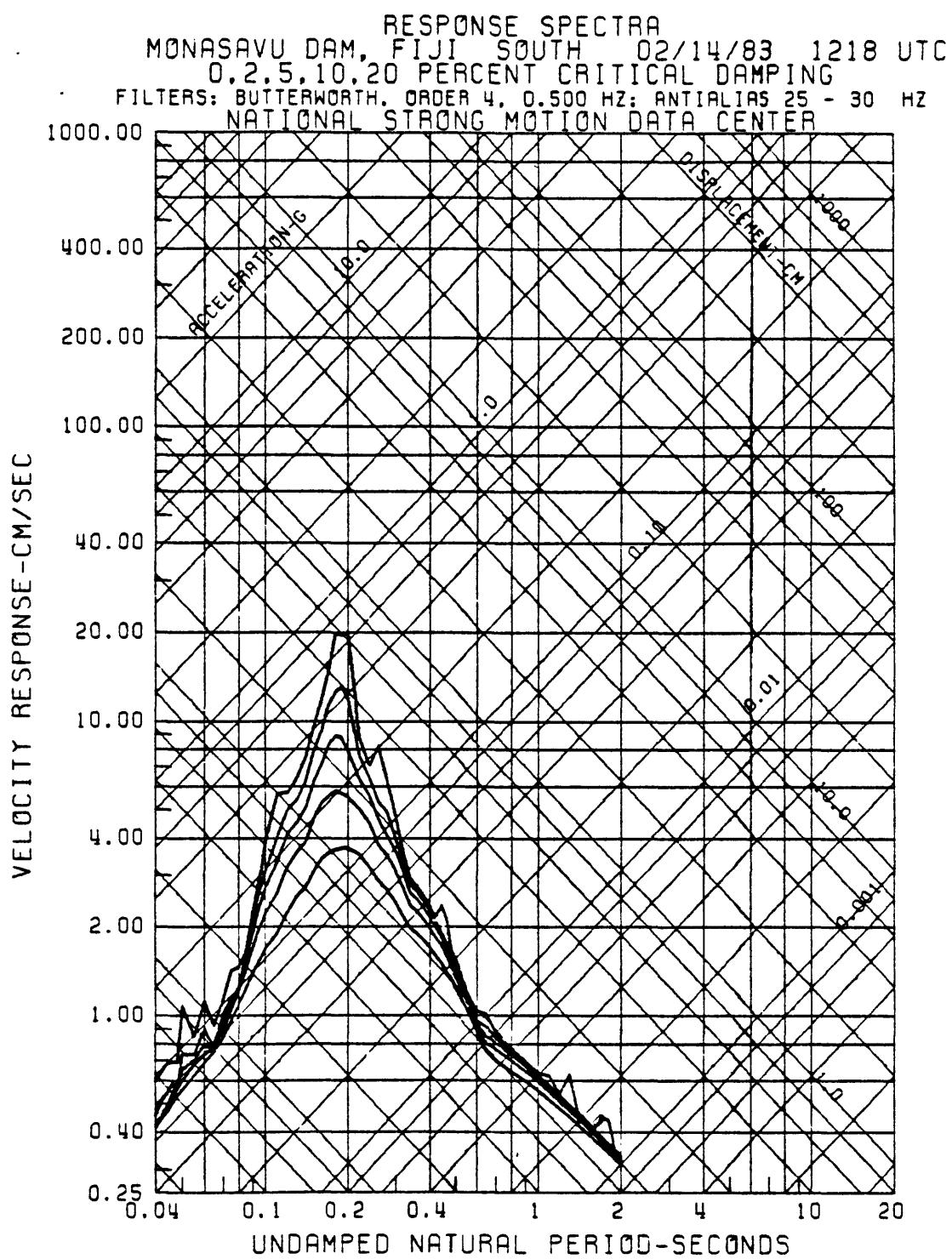


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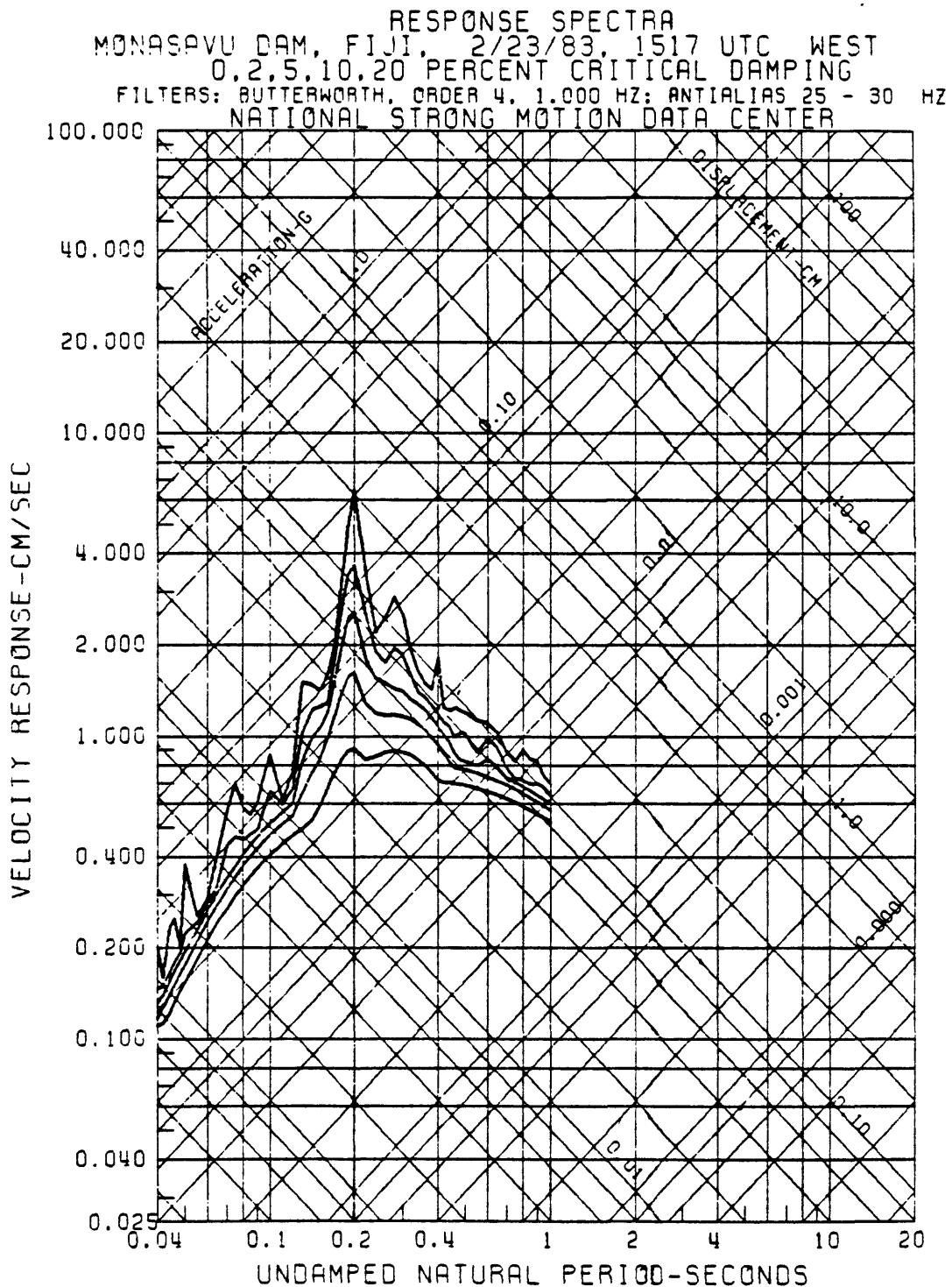


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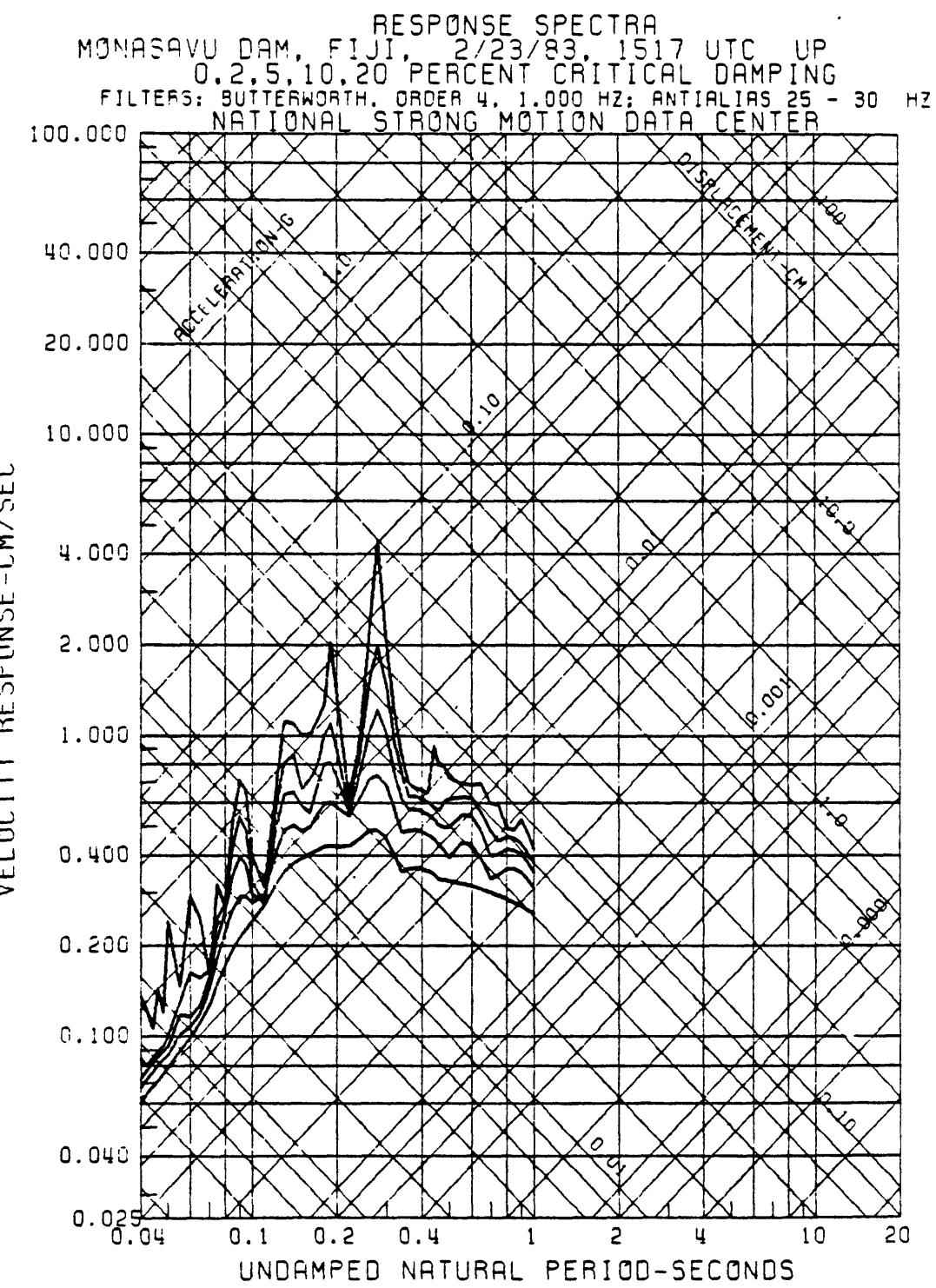


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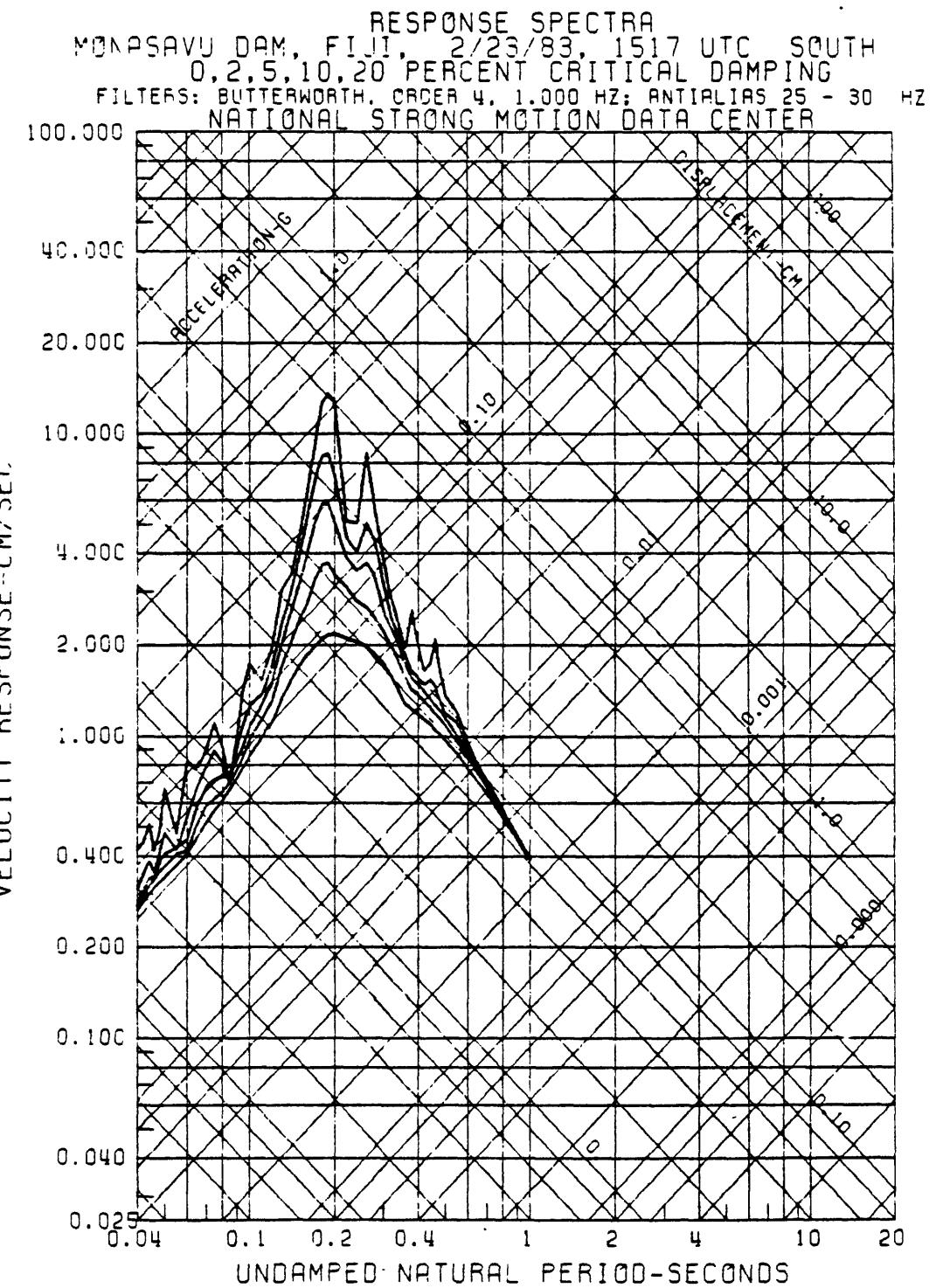


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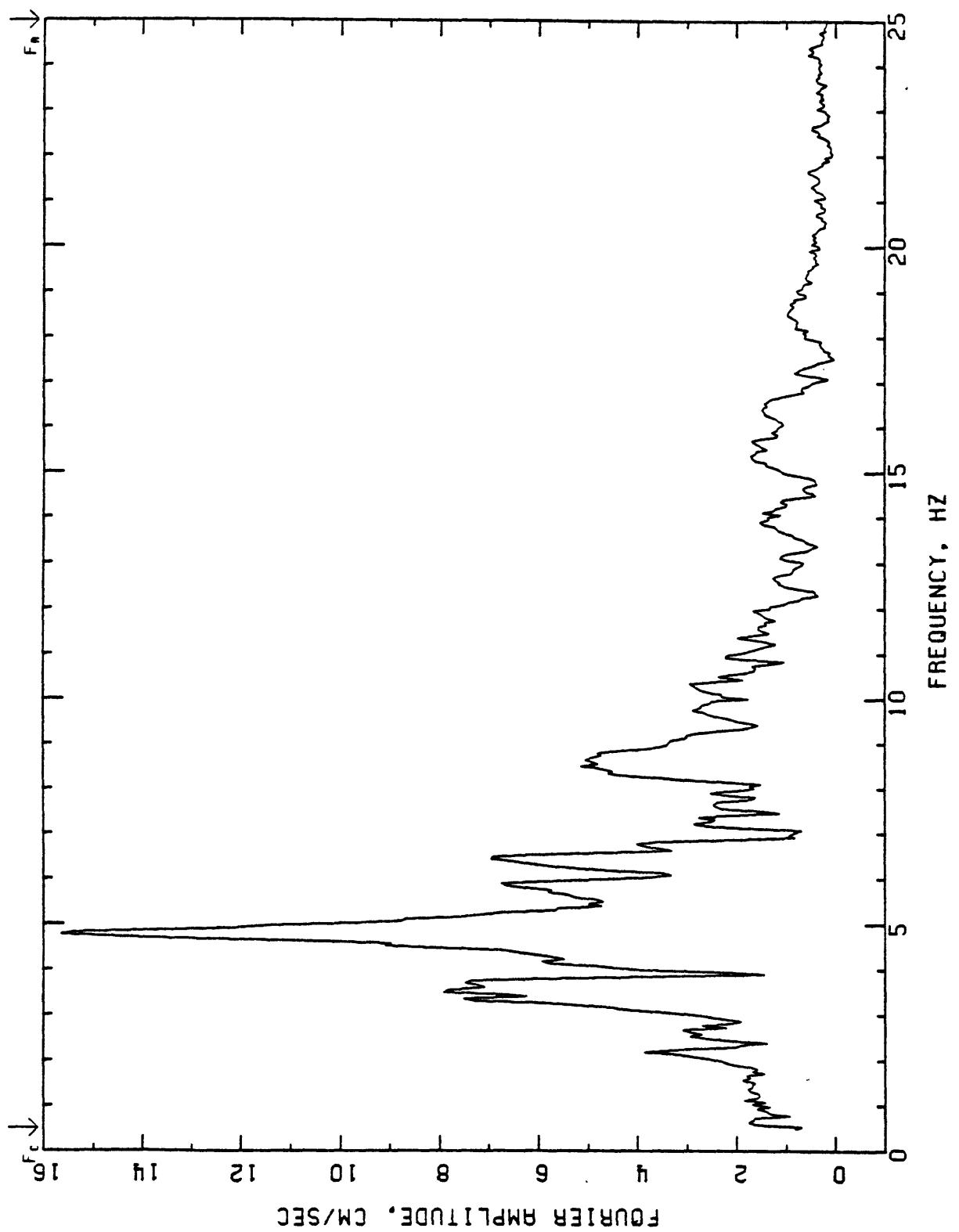


FIGURE 33.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
WEST EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983 0953 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 Hz. ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE.

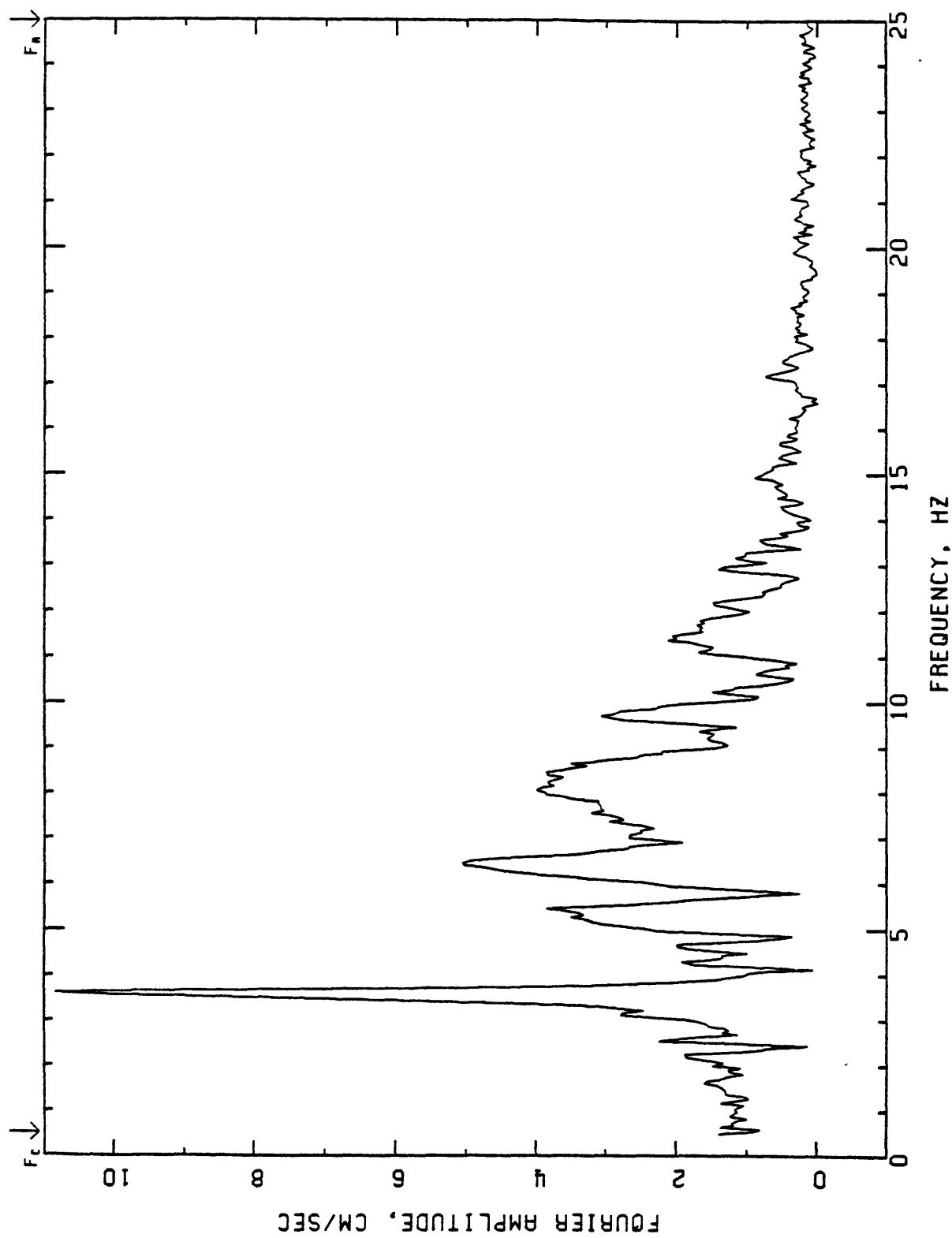


FIGURE 34.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
UP
EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983, 0953 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 Hz, ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE.

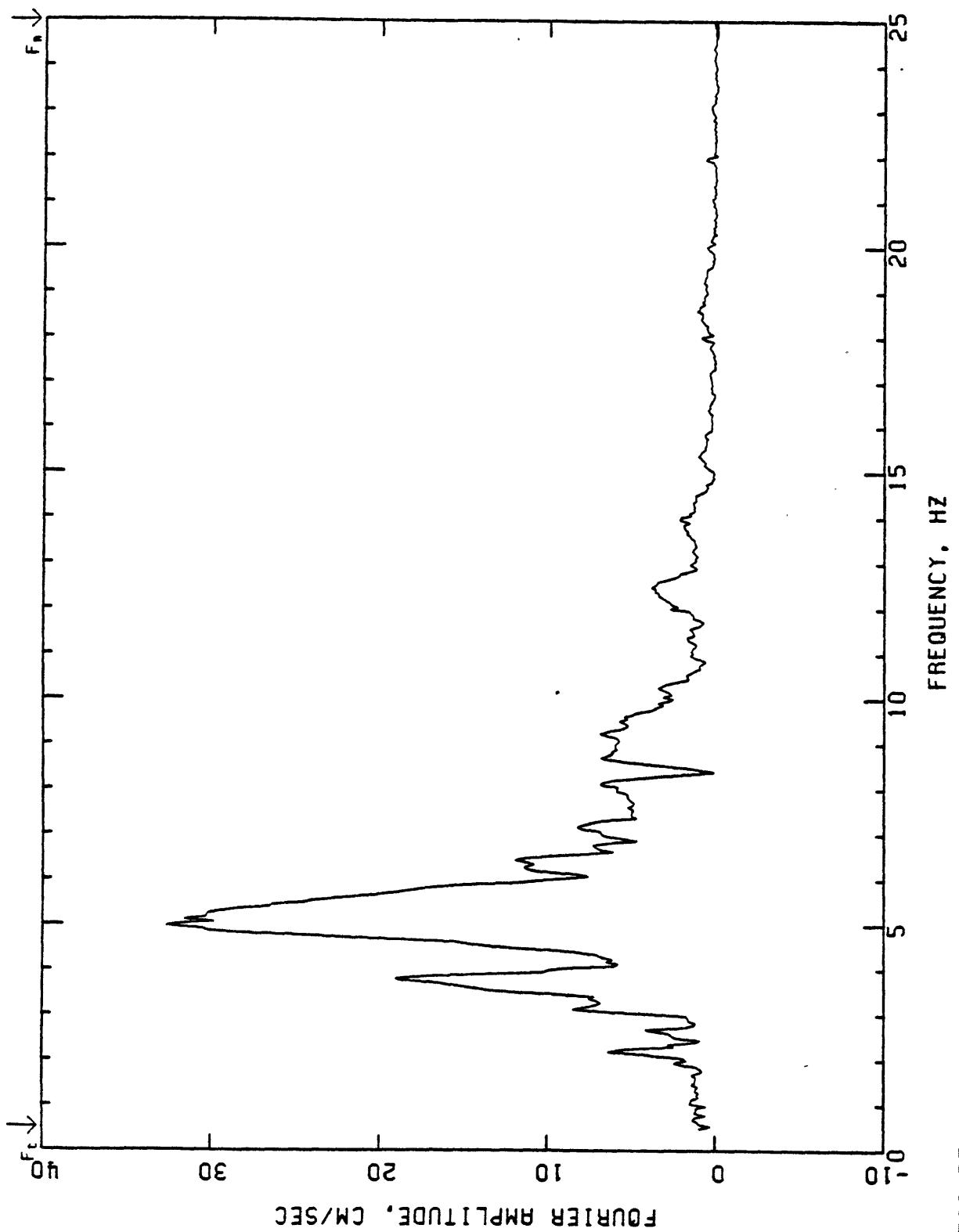


FIGURE 35.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASHAVU DAM, F1J1
SOUTH
EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983 0953 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 Hz. ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE.

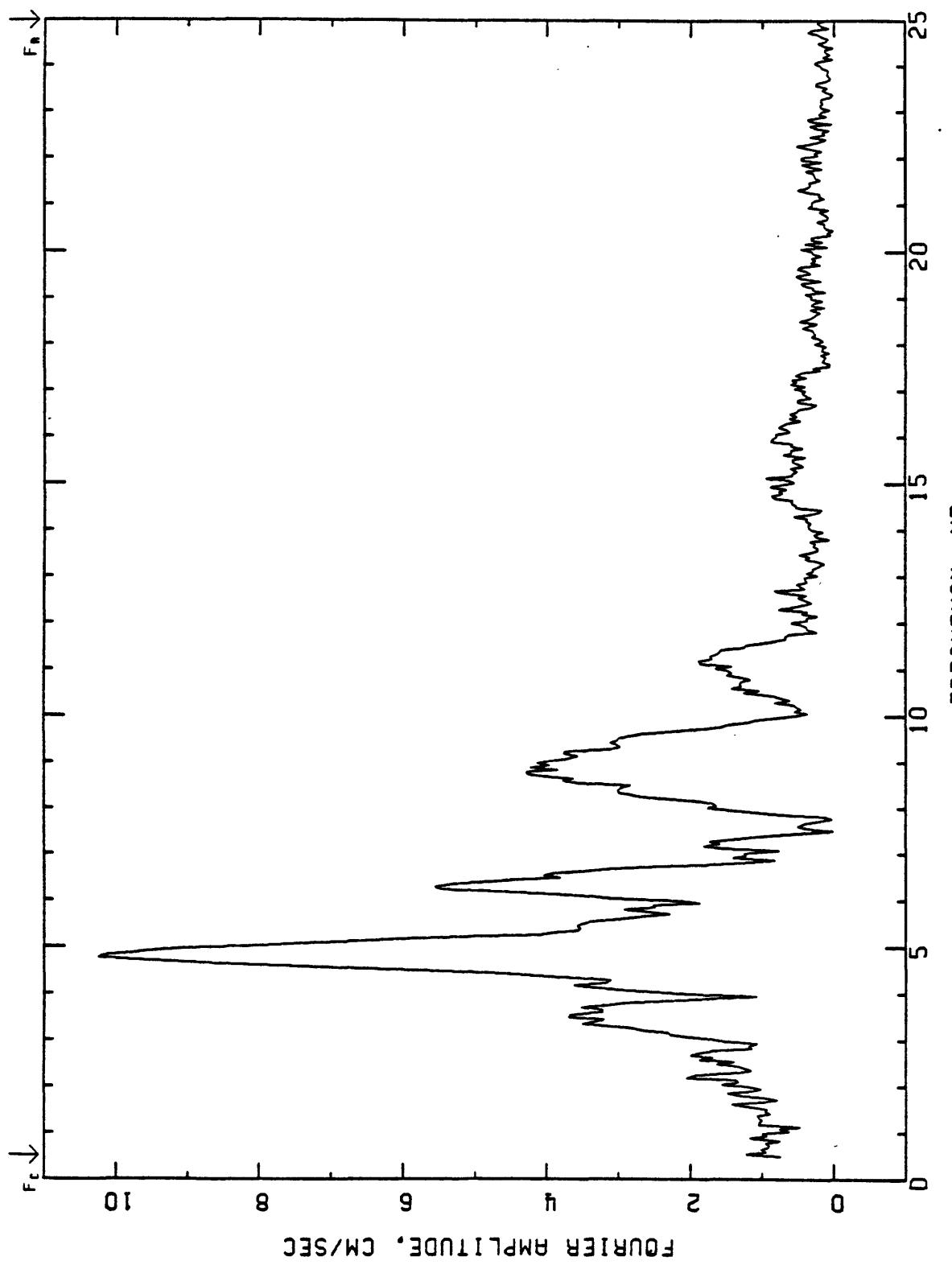


FIGURE 36.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
WEST EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 14, 1983 1218 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 HZ ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 HZ.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE.

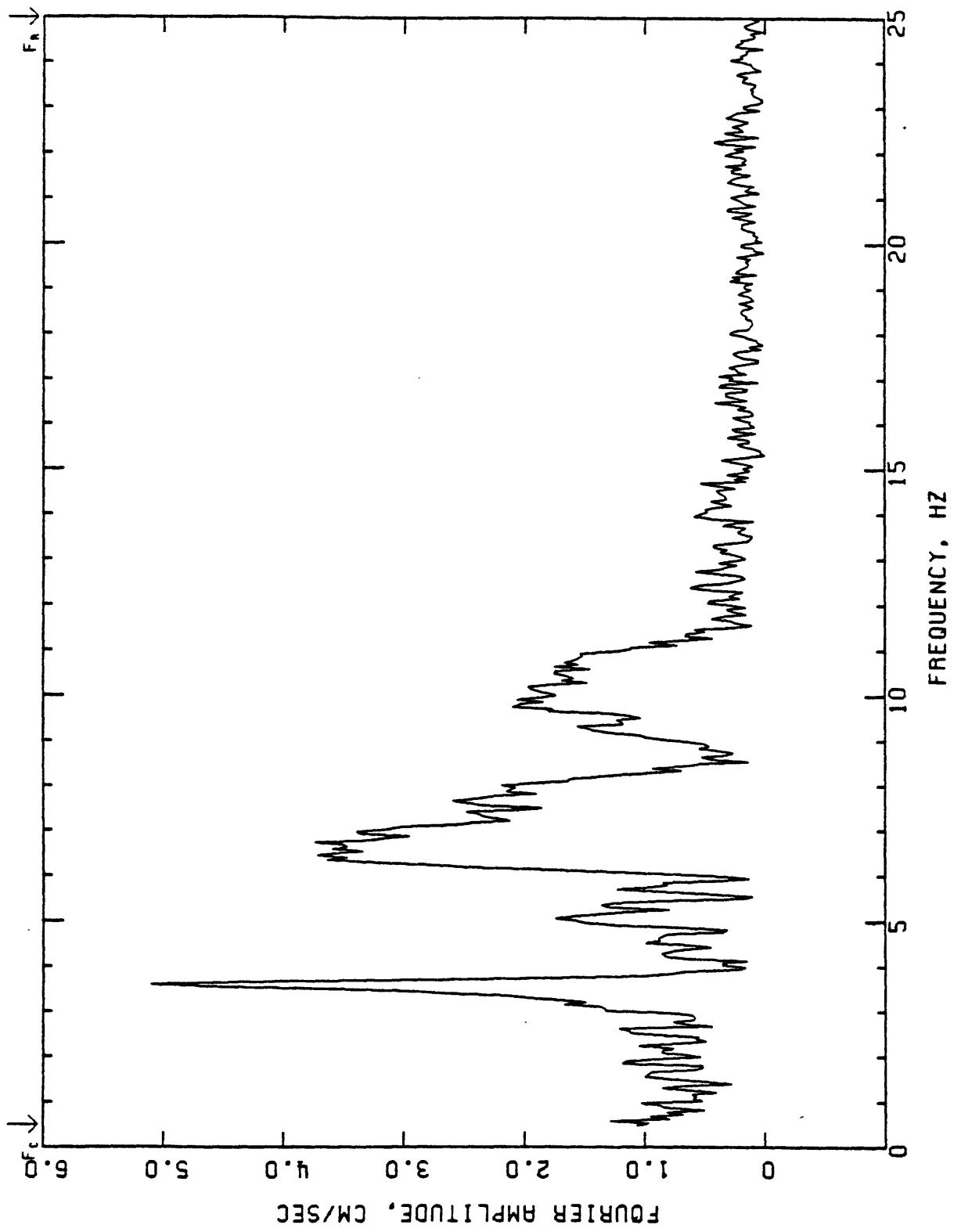


FIGURE 37.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 14, 1983 1218 UTC
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DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE.

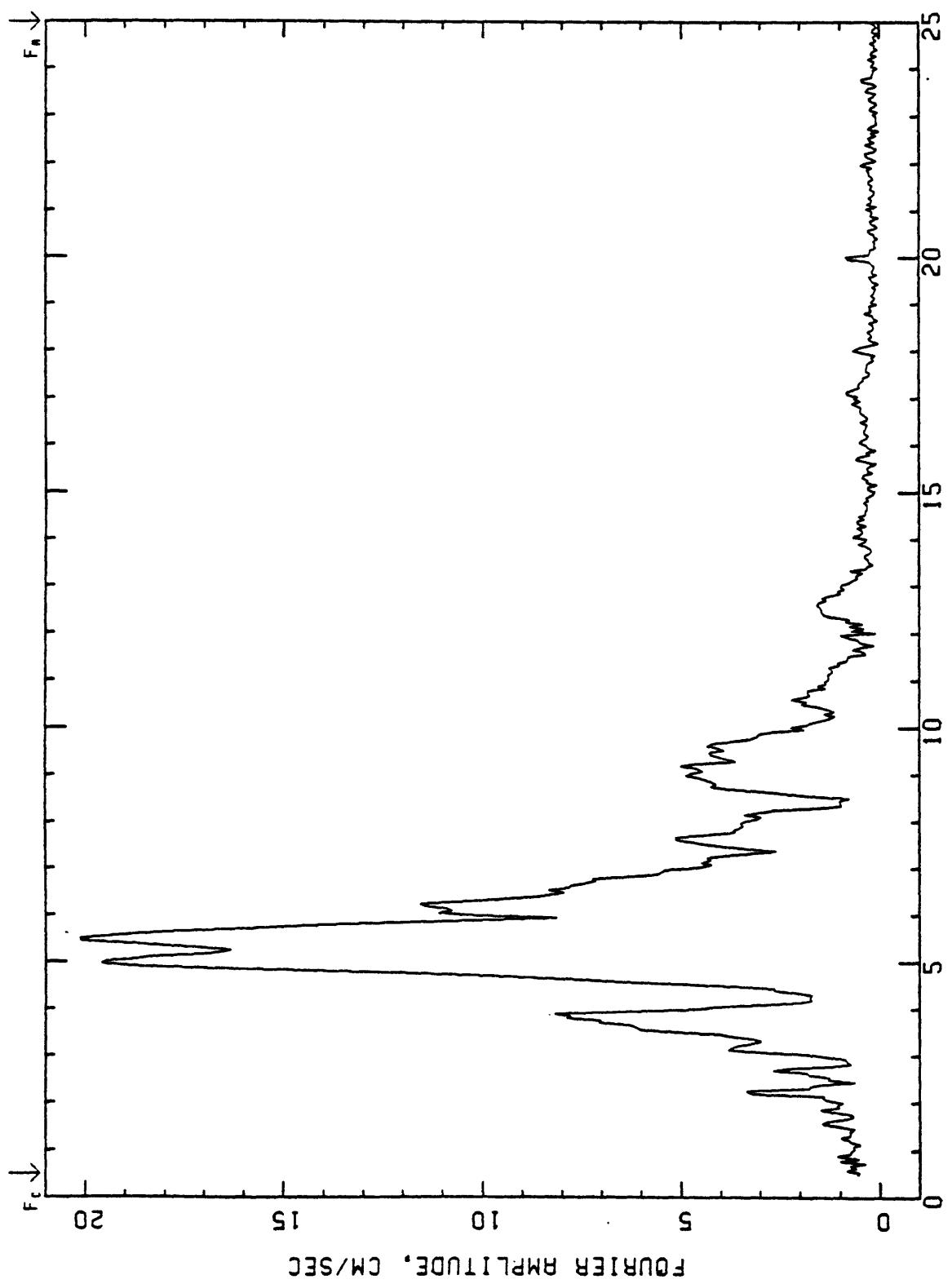


FIGURE 38.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
SOUTH EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 14, 1983 1218 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 Hz. ORDER 4
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COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE.

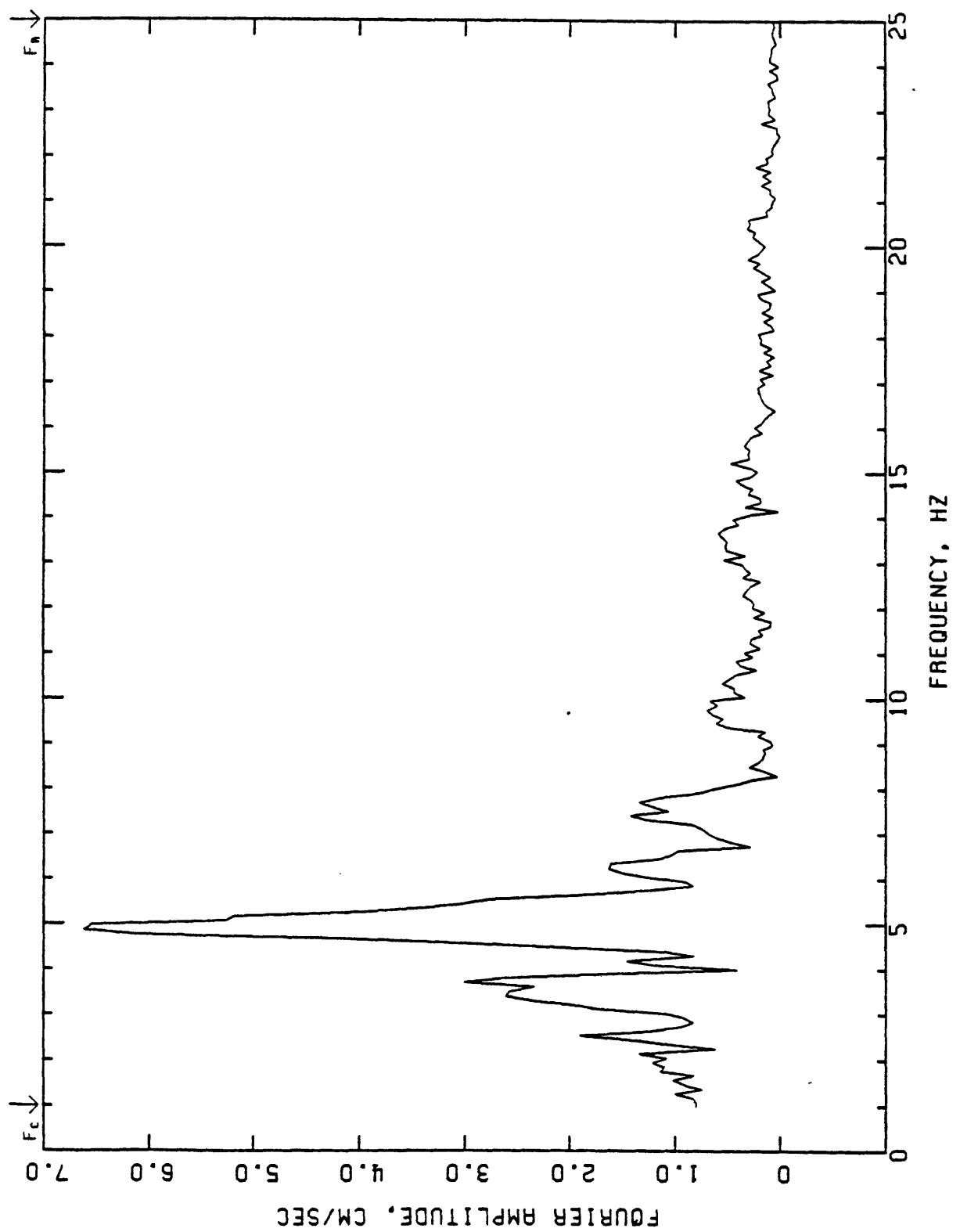


FIGURE 39.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
WEST
EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983 1517 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 1.00 Hz. ORDER 4
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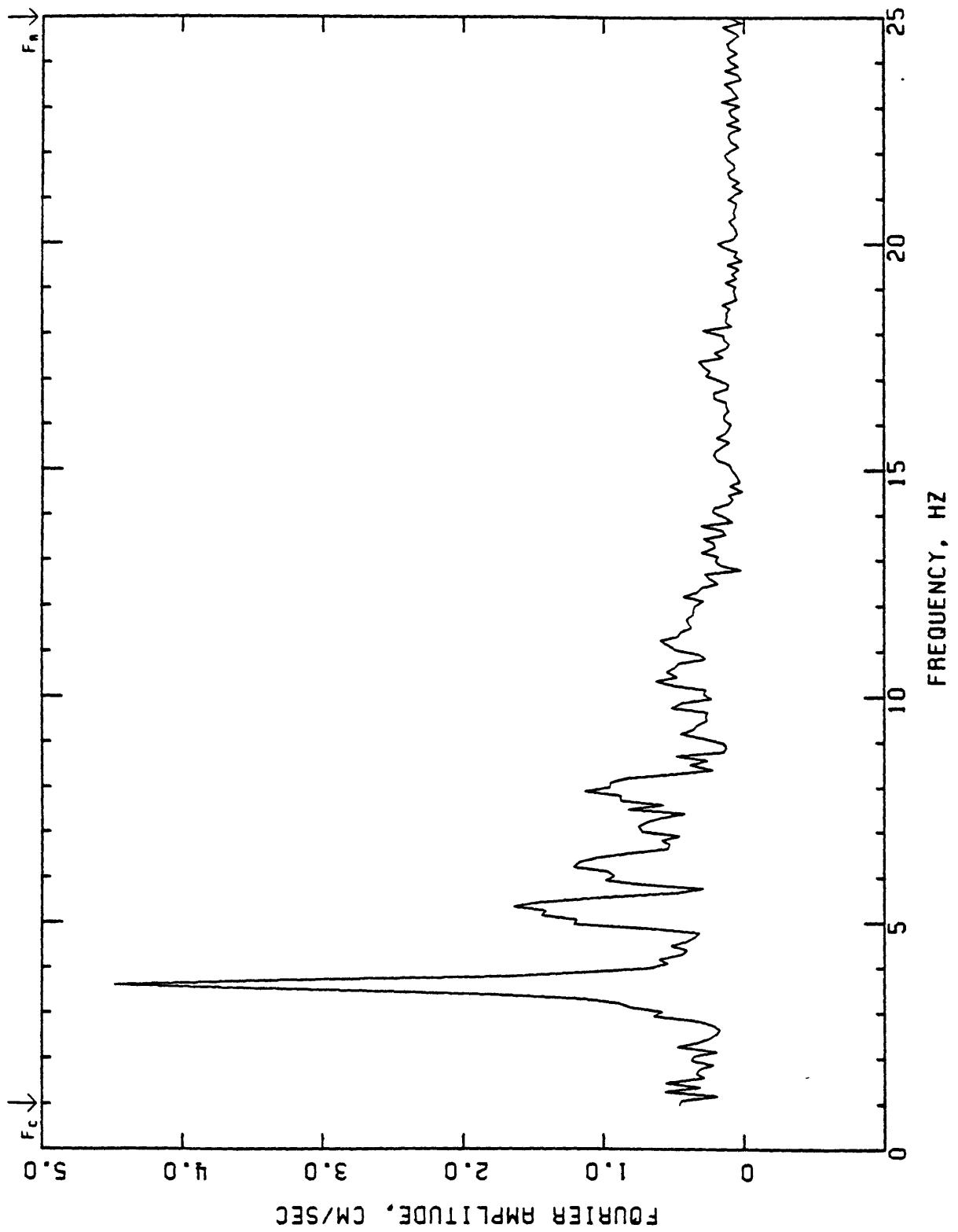


FIGURE 40.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
UP EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983 1517 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 1.00 Hz. ORDER 4
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COMPUTING OPTIONS= ZCROSS, NOISE.

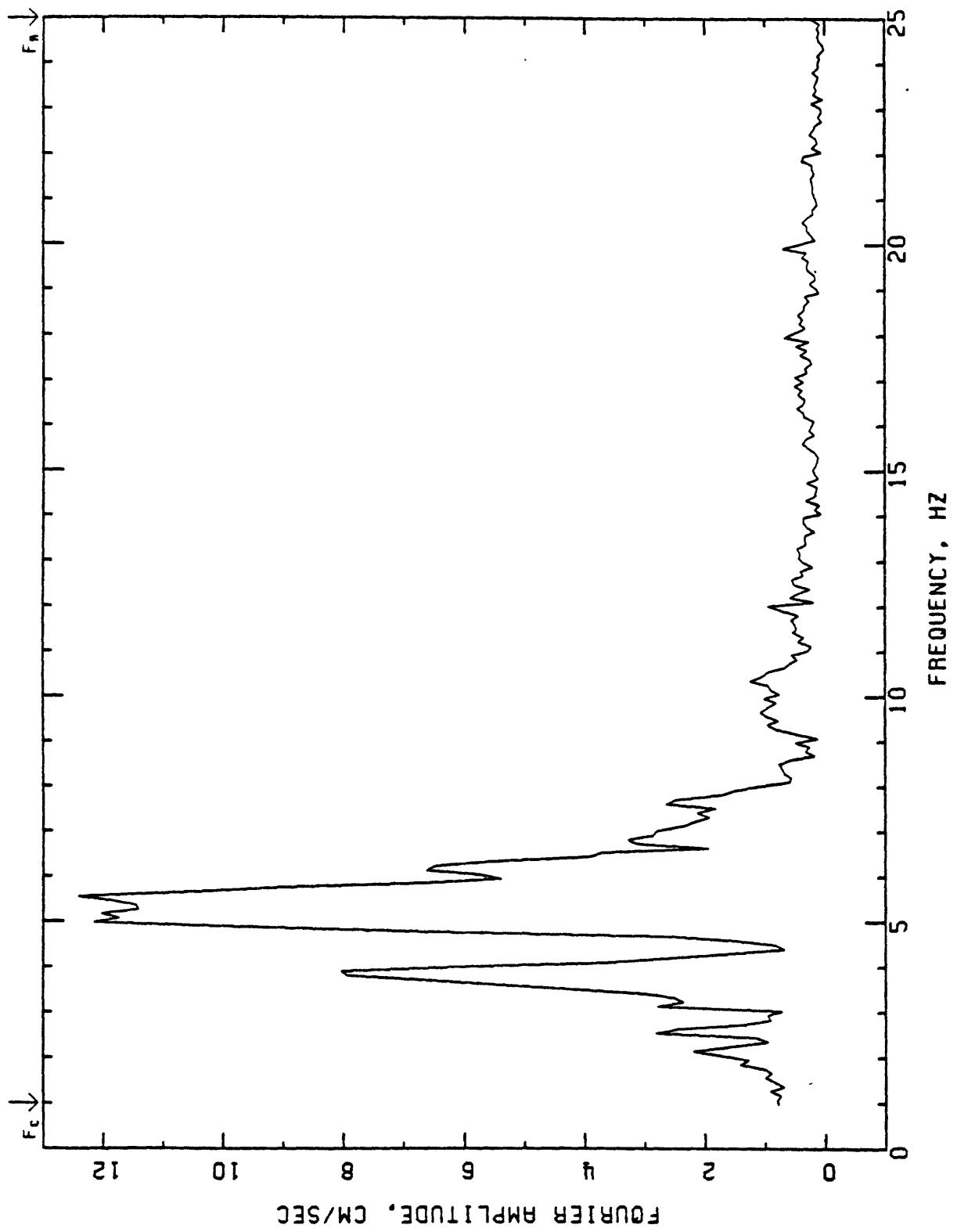


FIGURE 41.
FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
SOUTH EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983 1517 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 1.00 Hz, ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 1.00 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = CROSS, NOISE.

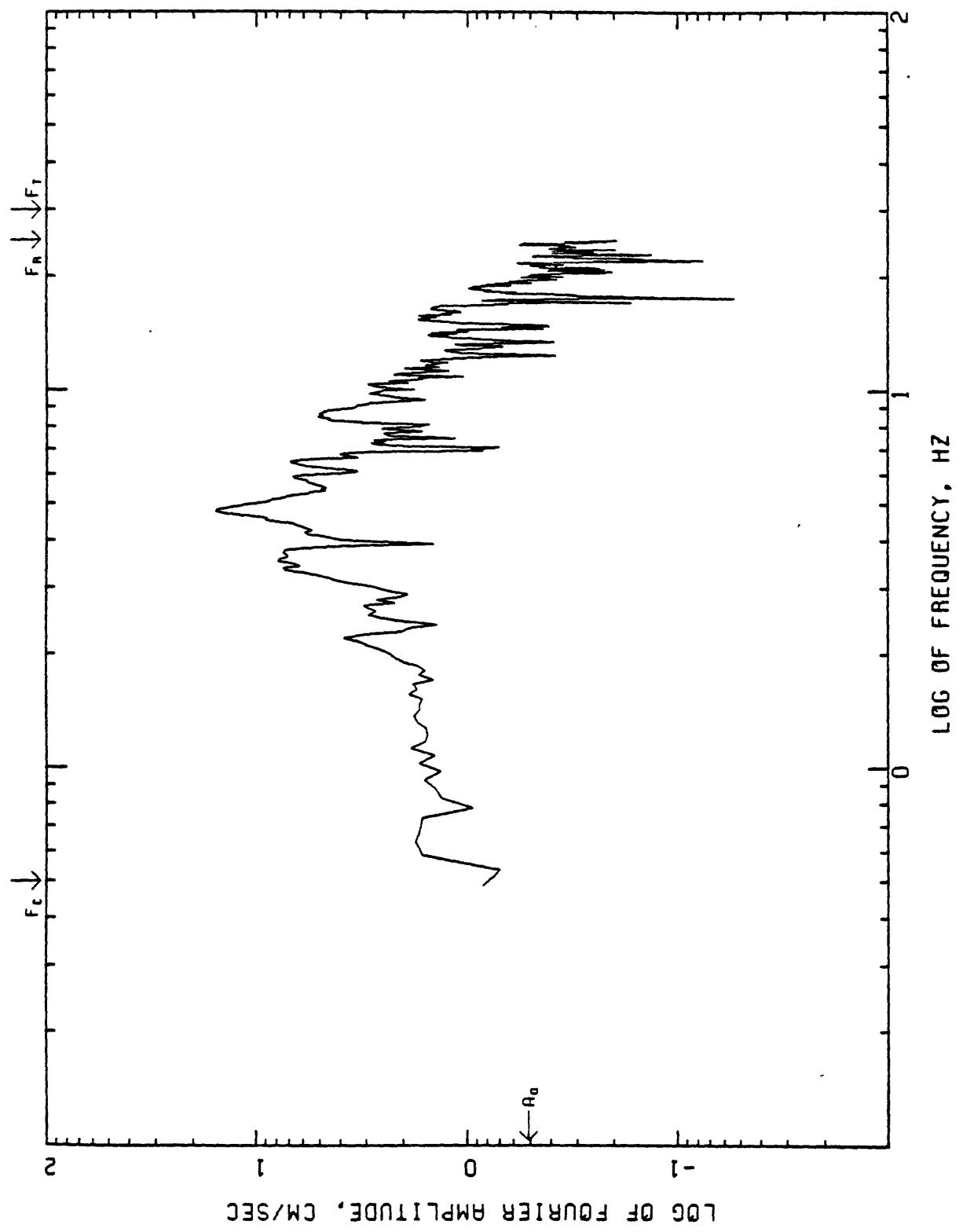


FIGURE 42.
LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
WEST
EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983, 0953 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.150 Hz, ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE.

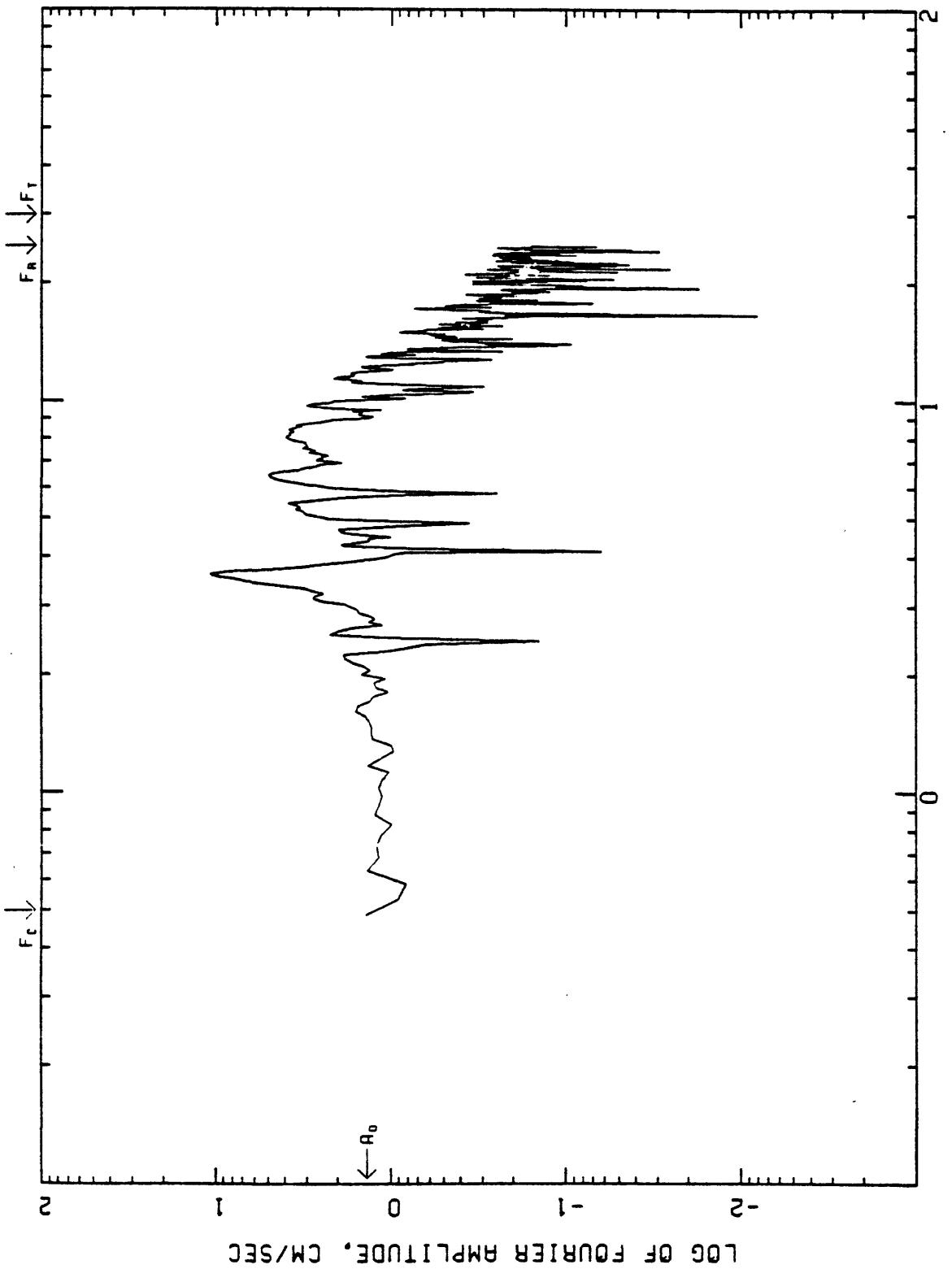


FIGURE 43.
 LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
 MONASAVU DAM. F1J1
 UP EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983. 0953 UTC
 BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 HZ. ORDER 4
 DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 HZ.
 COMPUTING OPTIONS= ZCROSS. NOISE.

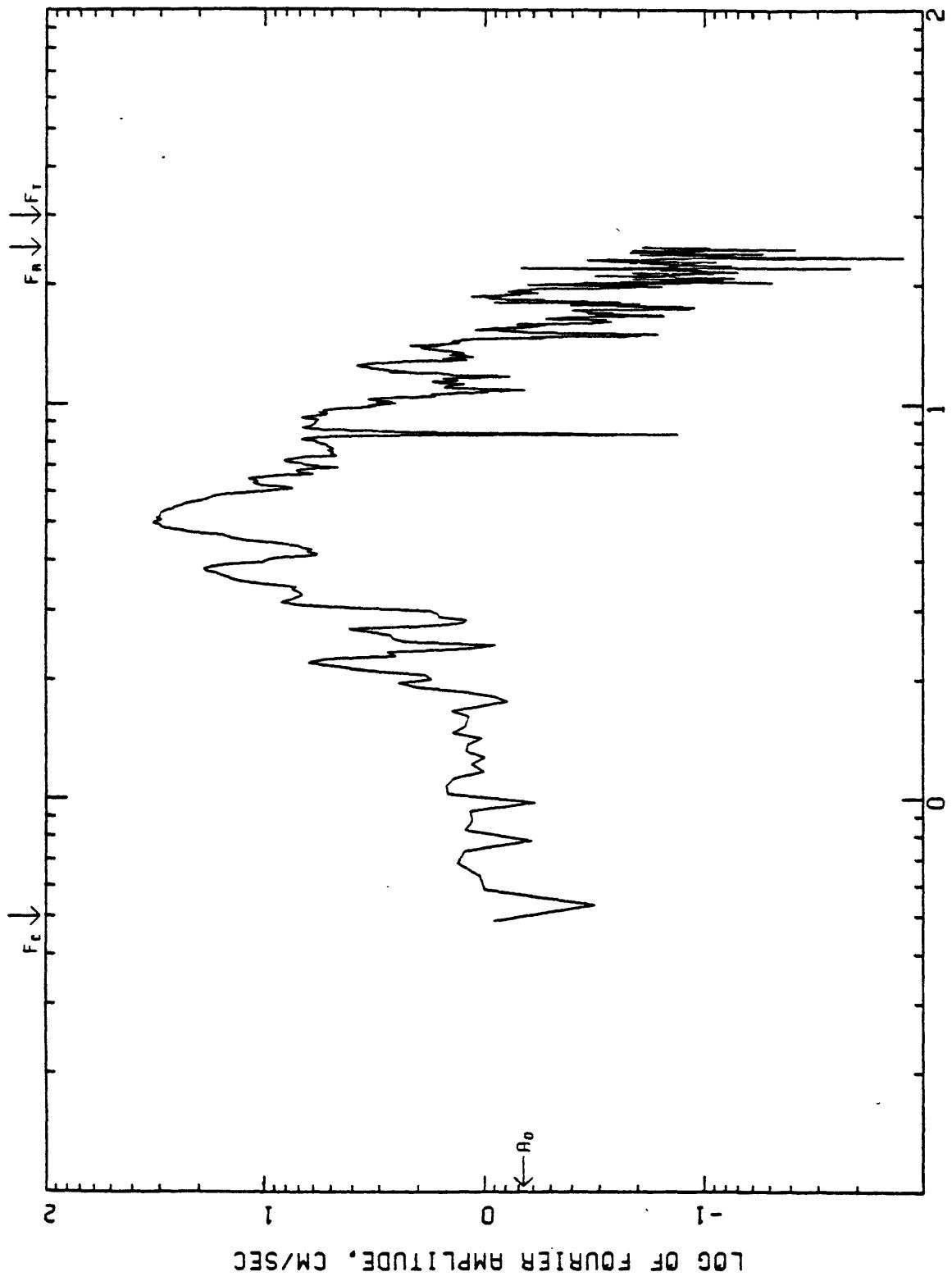


FIGURE 44.
 LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
 MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
 SOUTH EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 13, 1983, 0953 UTC
 BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 HZ, ORDER 4
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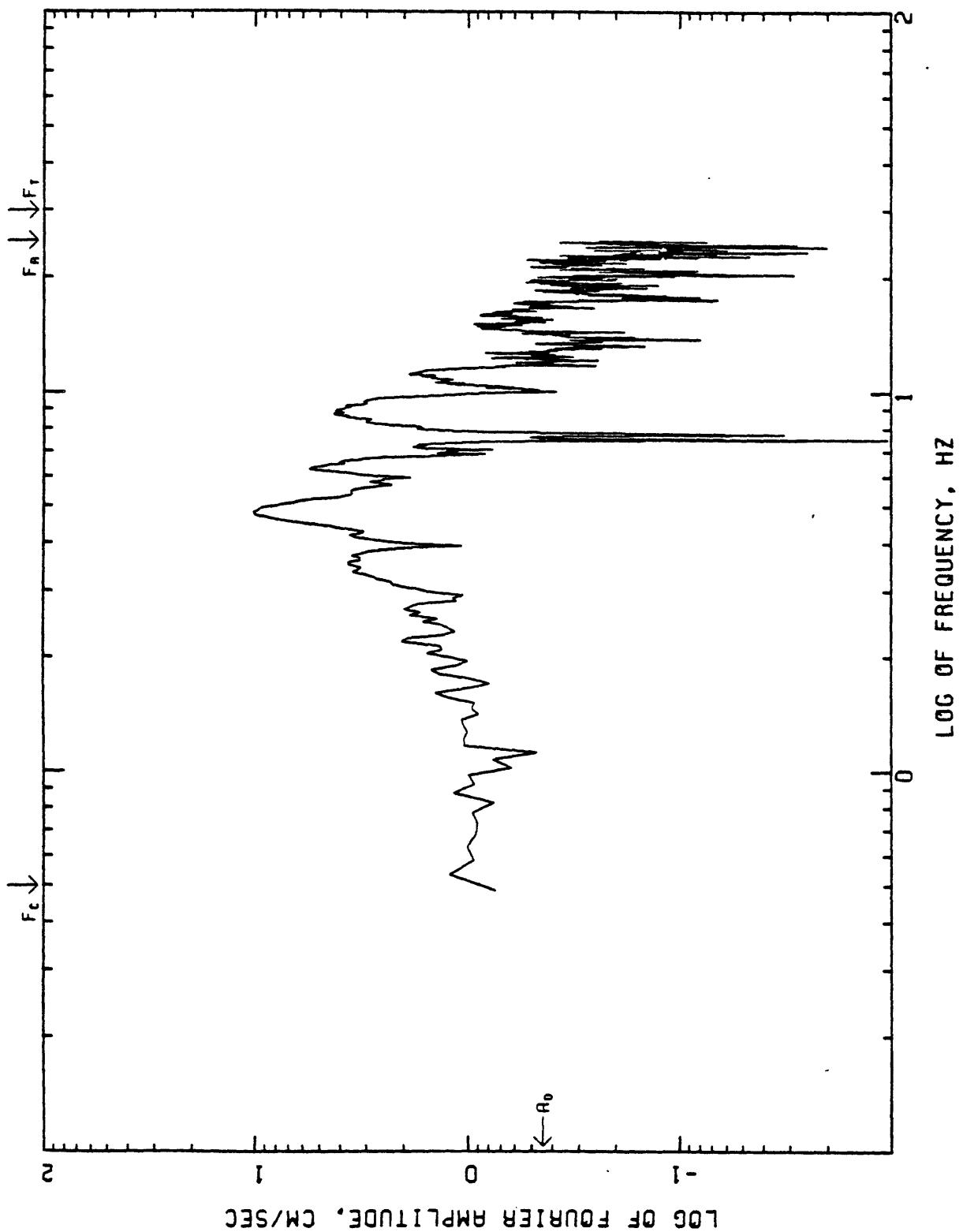


FIGURE 45.
LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
WEST EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 14, 1983, 1218 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 Hz, ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE.

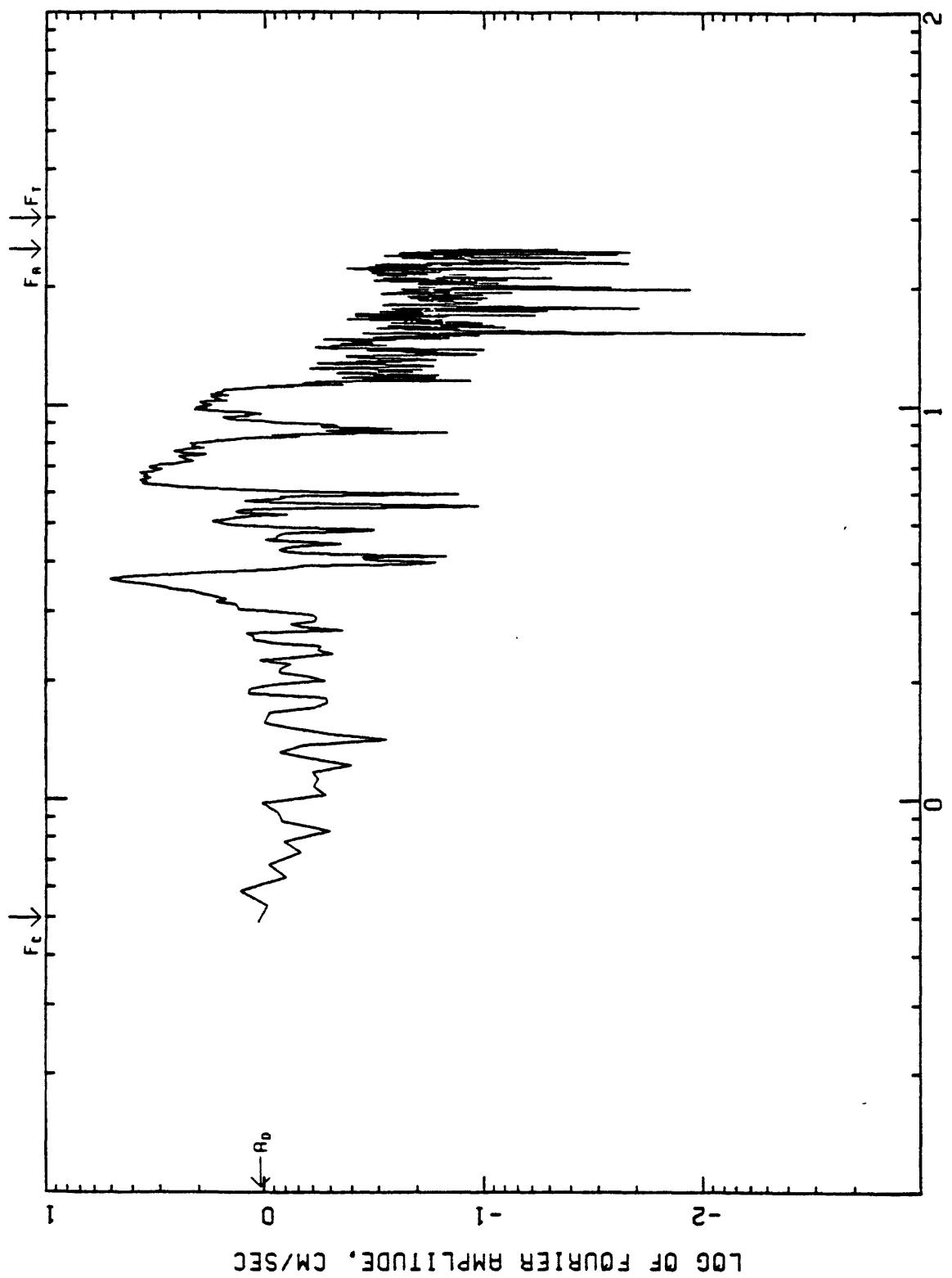


FIGURE 46.
LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
UP EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 14, 1983 1218 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 Hz, ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NOISE =

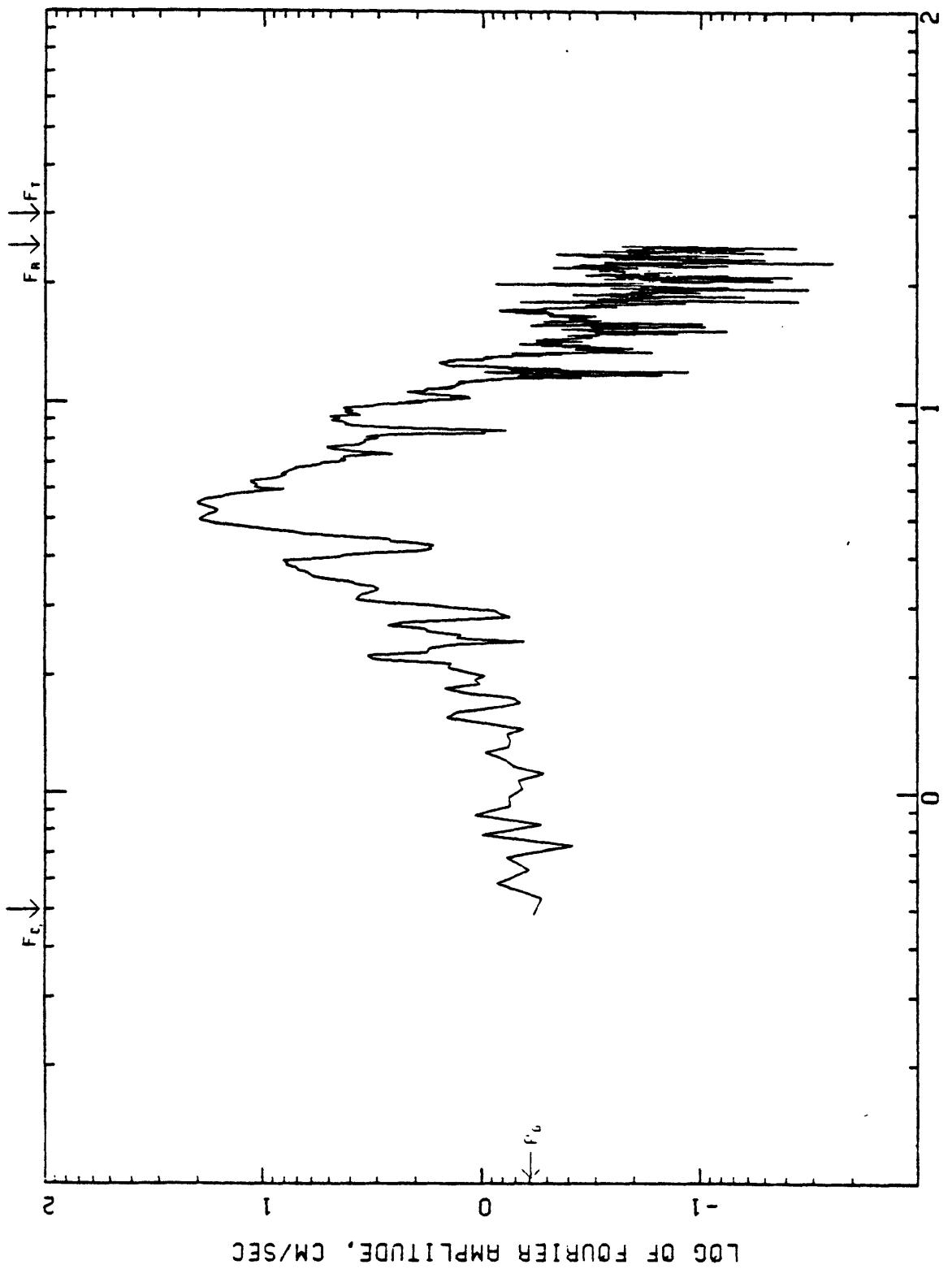


FIGURE 47.
LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MOKOSAVU DAM, FIJI
SOUTH
EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 14, 1983 1218 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 0.50 HZ, ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 0.50 TO 25.00 HZ.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = 2CROSS, NOISE.

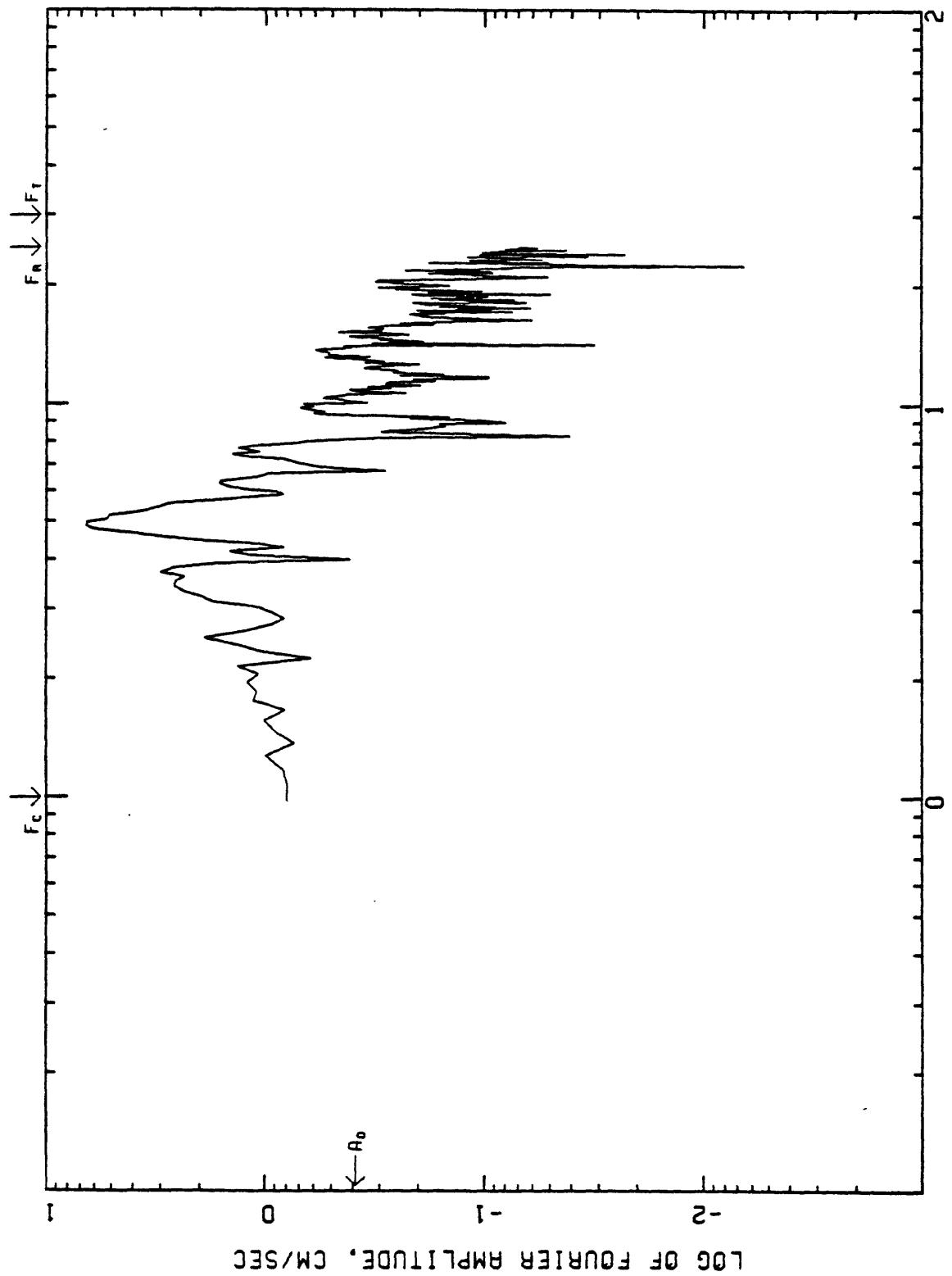


FIGURE 48.
 LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
 WEST MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
 EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983, 1517 UTC
 BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 1.00 HZ, ORDER 4
 DATA BAND PASSED FROM 1.00 TO 25.00 HZ.
 COMPUTING OPTIONS = 2CROSS, NOISE.

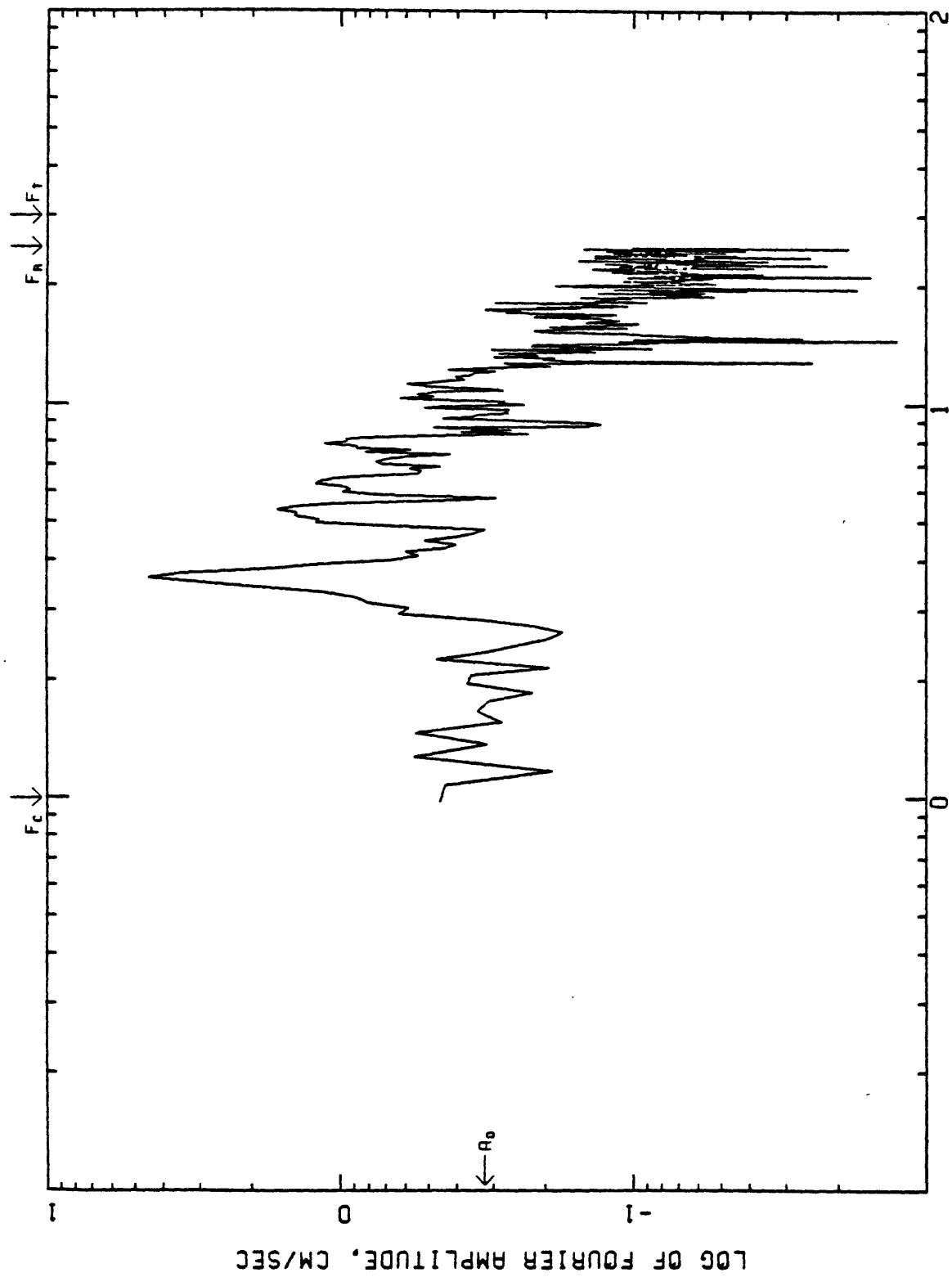


FIGURE 49.
LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
UP EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983, 1517 UTC
BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 1.00 Hz. ORDER 4
DATA BAND PASSED FROM 1.00 TO 25.00 Hz.
COMPUTING OPTIONS = ZCROSS, NONISE.

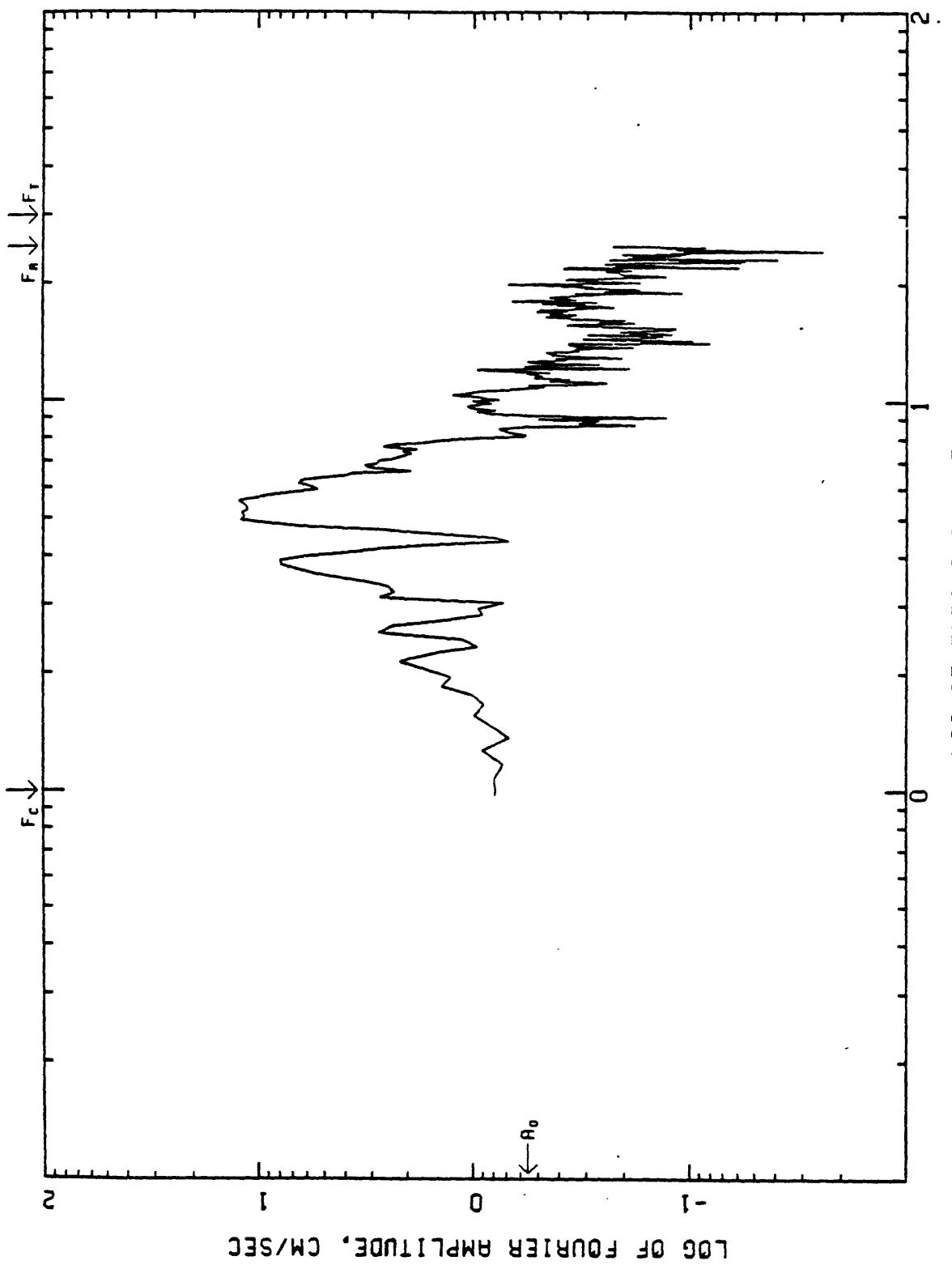


FIGURE 50.
 LOG-LOG FOURIER AMPLITUDE SPECTRUM OF ACCELERATION.
 MONASAVU DAM, FIJI
 SOUTH EARTHQUAKE OF FEBRUARY 23, 1983 1517 UTC
 BUTTERWORTH FILTER AT 1.00 Hz ORDER 4
 DATA BAND PASSED FROM 1.00 TO 25.00 Hz.
 COMPUTING OPTIONS=2CROSS, NOISE.